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First Load Delivered to New Elevator

2,000 Copies To England

Lac la Biche readers will be interested to know that 2,000 copies of last week's "Progress Edition" have been mailed to leading investors in the British Isles. This has been done in order to provide full information on gas and other developments to those who are interested in investing in Alberta's northland.

Full Coverage MD Convention Inside

Special coverage of the golden anniversary convention of the Association of Alberta Municipal Districts held in Edmonton last week is contained in five full pages given over to speeches, articles and pictures, in this issue. An additional story will be found on the front page of Alberta Country Life concerning the FUA's pledge of support for the Association's request to "toughen up the province's annexation laws."—Editor.

Mayor Steve Hamar Cuts Ribbon At Official Opening In Lac La Biche

By Mrs. Fred Creighton

As more than 100 farmers, townspeople and company officials looked on, Mayor Steve Hamar cut the ribbon at the official opening here, Nov. 19, of the 535th Alberta Wheat Pool elevator in the province.

A letter sent to the Alberta Wheat Pool, Calgary, from the Lac la Biche Chamber of Commerce, on March, 1948, was answered in a very real way as the first truckload of wheat rolled onto the scales following the ribbon - cutting. Though the day was chilly, the sun shone brightly as the visitors were welcomed shortly after 1:30 at the elevator by Lloyd Hamilton, travelling superintendent of the Alberta Wheat Pool. Mr. Hamilton, in commenting on the size of the structure, stated that its capacity is 60,000 bushels, and that there are 24 bins. Four thousand bushels per hour can be elevated. An electric hoist has been installed rather than the usual compressed air system.

DUMPS FIRST LOAD

The spectators watched as a load of Garnet wheat grown by Alex Gregorovich of Craigend, was weighed, dumped and elevated by K. Olson, who will operate the elevator. After grading and issuing of the cheque, Mr. Gregorovich was presented with a souvenir of the occasion. Peter Shapka of Charron was next on the scale with a load of flax grown on his half section farm twenty-seven miles northwest of here. He too received a souvenir.

Following the ceremony at the elevator site, the crowd made their way to the Memorial Hall where coffee and doughnuts were served by the Women's Institute, preceding the speeches. The meeting was called to order by J. E. Ness, fieldman for the Pool, who introduced Mike Maccagno, MLA and prominent member of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Maccagno said

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Notice To Reporters And Others!

It would be appreciated if all news items mailed to our office could be written in ink rather than pencil and also doubled spaced. If it is possible for items to be typed, then this would be even better.

Where people's names are used PLEASE PRINT THEM. At times, it is most difficult for typists to decipher some of the names which we receive on news or other items of interest. In order to prevent errors in the paper, we ask for the co-operation particularly of reporters and local editors in this regard. This will also avoid any embarrassment to the parties mentioned in such items.

Claims Hylo Needs Elevator, Coffee Shop

By Mrs. Nellie Zalewsky

HYLO — There are two things lacking in this progressive little place called Hylo. One is an elevator, a welcome landmark at any place, and from the amount of grain grown in this district it would seem to warrant the building of one. Indeed if the farmers started cultivating their large fields of alfalfa, altasweet and other grasses and seeded this into grain they would plug the elevator in no time.

The other is a lunch counter or coffee shop. With all the travellers and strangers passing through, many a time they ask for a place to eat and then disappointedly have to settle for a piece of sausage or a can of pork and beans washed down with coca-cola. They would much rather relax, after a hard long ride, in a booth or behind a lunch counter and enjoy the tantalizing aroma of coffee and the pleasant thought of having something hot to eat. Hylo is situated just far enough from any town to be a nice stopping place for motorists to stretch a bit and enjoy a snack. Even our young boys and girls would frequent a coffee shop, for with shows every Friday, recreation and various other entertainments besides the skating rink coming up they have nowhere to replenish their lost energy.

Every year we see new buildings coming up but have yet to see a coffee shop and elevator.

Library Report Presented

The regular monthly meeting of the Lac la Biche W.I. was held Nov. 18 at the home of Mrs. E. Woynarowich with 15 members present.

The hospital report was given by Mrs. Woynarowich, correspondence was dealt with and a request for used clothing is to be looked into.

The library report was presented by Mrs. McMillan. As Mr. Ellis, who has been librarian for several months, is leaving soon to make his home in Edmonton, it is necessary to find someone to take his place. It was decided to advertise in the local paper for a part-time librarian. New volunteers to help in the library are Mrs. Filipchuk, Mrs. M. Hamar and Mrs. Hackman. Since the library room in the town hall is now completed, there are several cupboards to be disposed of at a very reasonable price. Particulars may be obtained from Mrs. W. Coast, secretary of the W.I.

A W.I. spoon is to be presented to Mrs. E. Martin for her faithful assistance with the library during her years of residence here.

Arrangements were made to serve coffee and doughnuts at the Memorial Hall for the opening of the new Alberta Wheat Pool elevator. Volunteers to help were Mrs. A. Persini, Mrs. W. Coast, Mrs. F. McMillan, Mrs. J. Booker and Mrs. M. Hamar.

The annual meeting will be held Dec 3, in the banquet room of the York Coffee Shop.

Two new members joined the group, Mrs. E. Cunningham and Mrs. D. Joncas. A lunch was served by Mrs. Woynarowich assisted by Mrs. M. A. Lett.

ATA Elects Officers

The Lac la Biche A.T.A. local met at the school, Nov. 14, when election of officers took place. The following list of officers was named: honorary president, G. Filipchuk; president, N. Chodan; vice-president, P. Piquette; councillors, N. Chodan and P. Mulyk; secretary-treasurer, Sr. M. J. Fournel; track meet committee, Mrs. E. Uganitz, E. Makowichuk, A. Salahub; A. Gerard, P. Rudiak, N. Gordichuk, D. Sykes, Mrs. D. Turgeon, Miss C. Gervais, Miss M. Kinsman.

Public relations and press correspondent, Miss V. Podealuk and Mrs. E. Keehn.

Following the meeting lunch was served by the Lac la Biche staff.

Jack Bigg Visits Europe With NATO

Jack Bigg, Progressive Conservative MP for the Athabasca constituency, is in Europe with the North Atlantic Treaty Parliamentary delegation. The NATO group is made up of 11 members of parliament representing all parties of the House of Commons. During the European visit the group will visit military establishments.

Watkins Predicts February Election

Ernest Watkins, MLA, nominated as Conservative candidate in Calgary-Glenmore provincial riding, said the provincial election may be called during next February's sitting of the Alberta Legislature.

Watkins, nominated by acclamation becomes the third official candidate in the seven Calgary ridings.

"It may be that the next session will be closed off because Mr. Manning feels that irresistible urge to retain his power," Watkins declared.

He suggested the three major issues of the election campaign would be the demand for reform in education, the ill-fated oil dividend, and development of the province, particularly in the north.

Receive Gift At Housewarming

NORAL — A house-warming party was held for Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Lloyd in Lac la Biche. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Kniczky, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cislo, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. F. Woychuk and Metro, Mr. and Mrs. George Waselenchuk, M. Gurski, Mrs. Shilest and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lloyd and Alex and George Adasznyski.

The honored couple were presented with a coffee table. All enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Ellscott

Mrs. M. N. Radmanovich was a patient in the Athabasca hospital recently.

A surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. John Kowal was held in her home on Wednesday, Nov. 19.

Mrs. Matt Osadchuk has been a patient in the Athabasca hospital.

Safe-Driving Week Dec. 1 to 7

OTTAWA—Safe-Driving Week a national campaign to impress the motorist and pedestrian with his responsibility, as an individual, in preventing traffic accidents, will be sponsored nationally by the Canadian Highway Safety Conference this year from Dec. 1 - 7 inclusive.

Safe-Driving Week has been given the support of the Governor General and the Prime Minister. Participating will be the Premiers of all the provinces, safety organizations, police forces, the judiciary, public service groups, women's organizations and many others.

ANNETTE DIONNE Allard and her husband, Germain, look affectionately at their son, who will be christened Jean Francois in the Montreal hospital where he was born. Annette is second of the famed Dionne quintuplets to give birth to a child. Her sister, Cecile, had a son.

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Chamber Of Commerce Holds Workshop At Athabasca

ATHABASCA — The Athabasca Chamber of Commerce sponsored a workshop Thursday with Secretary Bert McDonald taking 25 registrations from Barrhead, Athabasca and Gibbons.

The president, Dr. E. K. Wright, welcomed delegates and said problems confronting Athabasca Chamber members were much the same as those confronting other localities in the area. The idea of the workshop, he said, was to bring out the problems and discuss them with others.

Mayor Dave Hunter also welcomed delegates noting that last year as vice-president of the Alberta Chamber of Commerce he attended workshops at Peace River and St. Paul. He said his audience, gathered from the area north of Edmonton from Lac la Biche to Barrhead had common problems and could perhaps pull together to solve them.

Jim Iverach, vice-president of the Athabasca Chamber, was general chairman of the workshop. Topics discussed were: 1. Shopping at home, led by Nick Evasiuk; 2. Farm and town, Arnold Gillies; 3. Looking ahead, the chamber's responsibility for tomorrow, Dave Hunter; 4. Open forum on specific local problems to be presented from the floor.

The "shop at home" discussion brought out the fact that prices in certain district stores are lower than in some supermarkets in large cities, that goodwill, built by service plays an important part in gaining and keeping customers, and that late shopping plays an important part in the social activity of the rural area.

Derek Griffin attended from the Alberta Associated Chambers of Commerce.

Co-op At Hylo Hears Pat Ryan

HYLO—Stan Barton, representative of Co-op Wholesale in Edmonton had an afternoon session with the Hylo Co-op directors on Thursday, Nov. 20.

At the Co-op meeting held that evening Pat Ryan of AWCA was the guest speaker and gave an informative talk on the topic "Where Are We Going?" He emphasized the point that the thought that is put into anything, will determine what the results will be Mr. Ryan is fairly well acquainted with Hylo as he has been a speaker here on several occasions.

He showed a couple of interesting colored films, the first about the life of a cowboy as it is today. It depicted various subjects that a cowboy must know, such as carpentering, doctoring of sick animals, horseshoeing and hay-making, besides herding of cattle and branding. Although many things have changed around him it showed that the cowboy's life, in all its phases, is still much the same as it used to be, including some hard riding.

The other film concerned the Co-op movement across hte United States and Canada, showing what a Co-op is, how one can join it, the Co op housing, insurance credit idea behind it and the advantages, unions and many other interesting facts making it truly an enlightening film.

J. ALPHONSE OUIMET, general manager of the Canadian Broadcasting corporation, will become president of the corporation and head of new 11-man CBC board of governors.

Wandering River

Recent visitors in Edmonton were: Miss Jeannette Strayski, and Annie Purich.

Andy Sorbey and Stan Coonick of Vilna visited at the Nick Strayski home recently.

Mike Karpetz, Frank Roskewich and Nick Strayski were business visitors in Edmonton.

Elmer Gawryletz, employed at Calling Lake, is home for a few days holidays.

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Scientists have found that temperatures may vary by as much as 20 degrees between a city's business center and its suburbs.

Don Kyle Home From Hospital

INDEPENDENCE — Don Kyle returned home recently from a city hospital with his leg in a cast. This reporter, when discussing his return to hospital with a member of his family, assumed the return was due to the old injury which made Don spend many weeks in hospital off and on, during the past two years, as it was said to be the same leg. However, Don is happy to report that the old trouble cleared up some time ago, and that this session in hospital was due to a new accident this fall to the same leg.

Boy Dies From Encephalitis

An 11-year-old Fort St. John boy, Richard Riester, died in an Edmonton hospital Tuesday of acute encephalitis, probably associated with pneumonia. He was flown here by the RCAF Monday night. The disease is an inflammation of the brain.

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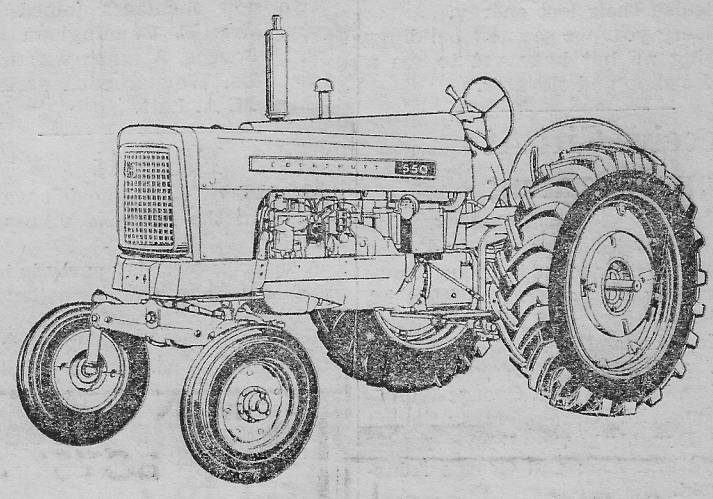

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Hylo

Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Sachko were Mr. and Mrs. H. Wolansky and family of Caslan. Mrs. Wolansky and Mrs. Sachko are sisters.

Paul Poholski was a weekend visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Poholski.

Miss Sherill Lozinski and Johnny Verboom were weekend visitors at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lozinski.

Mrs. A. Lozinski is again a patient in the Lac la Biche hospital.

Steve Onciul of Helena, who was bulldozing for the farmers in this district last year is here again, working at present for A. Kuwica.

Mario Manca and James Marchasi have gone north on their trap lines off mile 174.

Olfonzo Wenzel of Noral is staying at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mario Manca while her husband is trapping in the north.

P. Tymchuk and S. Pohranychny attended the funeral of the former's brother at Willingdon.

Tickets for a raffle of a goose, sponsored by the Hylo Junior High Students Union, were sold by Olga Warren, Alan Moshuk, Fay McEachern, Bobby Grandish, Grace Stratichuk and Howard Grandinetti. Lucky ticket will be drawn at the Hylo HSA meeting on Dec. 11 at 8 p.m.

P. Tymchuk attended the funeral of his brother Paul in the Greek Orthodox church in Vegreville.

Patients in the Lac la Biche hospital are Mrs. Alex Tozinski and Mr. and Mrs. W. Stratichuk.

Guests at the Bourassa home were Mr. and Mrs. E. Beaudry and family and Earl Broder.

Spruce Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Homeniuk spent Remembrance Day with their daughter Grace at Edson.

On Nov. 14, H. J. Hill, veterinarian from Edmonton, was in the district vaccinating calves against Brucellosis (Bangs). He was assisted by John Trela of Prosperity.

A large number of local residents attended the Orest Hrycun-Elsie Shemonichuk wedding on Nov. 15, at the Prosvita Hall.

Mike Chomiak of Edmonton was a visitor to his farm last Saturday.

Miss Lily Wolak is expected home soon from the Athabasca hospital where she underwent surgery.

Peter Hominuik was a recent visitor to Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Zuber have moved to their house at Boyle for the winter. They resided on their farm here during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duban have also moved and are now living at Boyle.

Karl Zilinski was a visitor to Edmonton last week.

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that something new had been added to the skyline of the town, and that these developments do not just happen, it had taken ten years of selling the company on the needs in this area. He said that the fact that the company chose this location is evidence of their faith in the future of the town and district.

Mr. Maccagno affirmed that 1958 was a unique year in the town's history, having witnessed the inauguration of daily mail service, extended telephone service, water and sewer extensions in the town, new RCMP barracks, rebuilding the breakwater wharf and the discovery of natural gas just outside the town. In closing his remarks he thanked the Wheat Pool for the new elevator.

GREETINGS FROM FUA

Greetings from the FUA were brought by Romeo Piquette, sub district director of this area. In reviewing the lot of the farmer in former days, Mr Piquette asserted that many of the difficulties encountered by the farmers in the early days had been overcome by the establishment of co-operative enterprises. In saluting the oldtimers, he said that the elevator stands as a monument to their faithfulness.

John Lund, local Wheat Pool delegate, spoke of the organizational set-up of the Wheat Pool, mentioning that there are now 50 thousand members in Alberta, and paying tribute to the late Henry Wise Wood, founder of the Alberta Wheat Pool, who along with his associates, in the early history of the organization, worked against great odds in building the company. In closing he said, "I salute them for their willingness."

The next speaker was J. A. Crawford, general superintendent, from the head office in Calgary, who spoke briefly of the growth of the Wheat Pool, saying that from a humble beginning of three elevators in 1925, today the 535th elevator was opened. He brought greetings from the more than 1,000 employees as he introduced the Lac la Biche agent, Kanute Olsen.

NEW AGENT SPEAKS

Mr. Olson stated that he was proud to be the first agent of the new, modern elevator, and although this year's light crop would prevent the plant from operating at full capacity, he looked forward to better crop conditions next year. He hoped to live up to the good reputation the Wheat Pool had established for itself.

Louis Normaneau, former Wheat Pool fieldman, who had homesteaded in the Lac la Biche district 45 years ago, then spoke, touching on the early days of the organization. He told of his interest in co-operative movements as early as 1917, and his desire to assist in the solution of problems arising in a changing world. He believed that co-operation was the only solution.

G. W. Franchuk, president of the Lac la Biche Chamber of Commerce, extended greetings to the Alberta Wheat Pool from the Chamber.

Stan Powers, local district agriculturist, brought greetings from the Department of Agriculture. He congratulated the Wheat Pool on choosing Lac la Biche for their 535th elevator, saying he would like to see more elevators in this area, as it would be an encouragement to young men who will be the farmers of the future.

COMPETITION HEALTHY

In expressing the importance of an additional elevator, he noted that the number of elevators to be seen in a town is often the standard by which the productiveness of a farming area is measured. He expressed the opinion that competition in grain buying is a healthy situation, and trusted that the added facilities would be a drawing card for more farmers.

Allen Gibson of the publicity department, Calgary, thanked the Women's Institute for the lunch, the Chamber of Commerce for the fine program they had arranged, and the people of Lac la Biche for the hospitality shown. A splendid film, produced by the Alberta Wheat Pool, showing the part the company plays in the handling of grain from the time it leaves the farmers' truck until it is stored in the terminal elevator, was shown to the 200 or more farmers and others who met in the hall.

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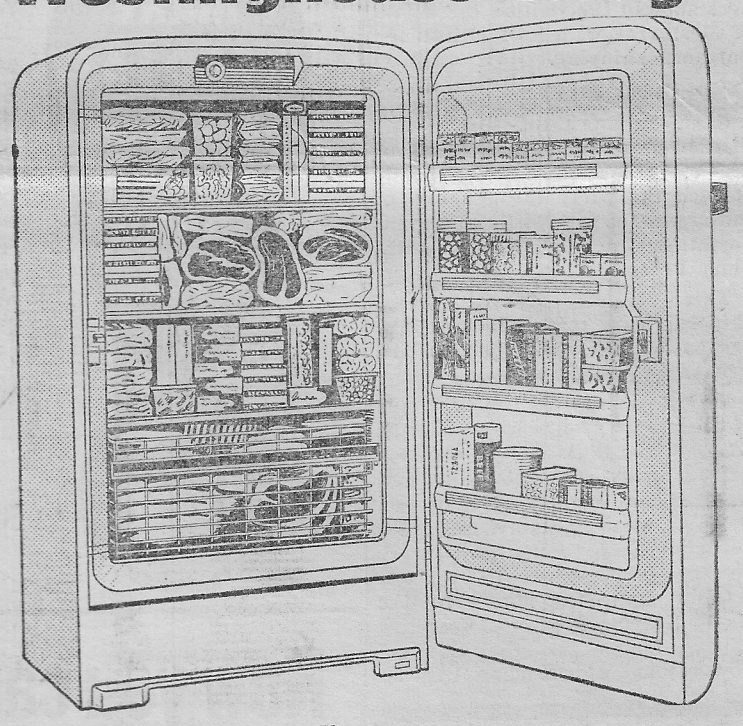

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ATTENDING the five-day session of the executive council of the general synod of the Anglican church in Toronto are three new bishops. They are Rt. Rev. R. L. Seaborn, left, assistant bishop of Newfoundland; Rt. Rev. W. W. Davis, coadjutor bishop of Nova Scotia, right, and Most Rev. P. Carrington, Archbishop of Quebec. There are 33 bishops at the synod.

McMurray Celebrates Opening Of New AGT System For 600 Subscribers

McMURRAY — To inaugurate the opening of the Alberta Government Telephone system in McMurray, five AGT representatives arrived here by air and were met by Mayor Bill Nixon, several town councillors, and members of the chamber of commerce.

Representing the AGT were R. W. Losie, general manager J. Reid, district plant superintendent; D. Edwards, chief engineer; J. H. Marr, and H. H. Doucette.

Mr. Losie accepted the opportunity of a flight over the town and its senic river valley with pilot Milt McDougall, while the other visitors viewed the installations of the busy airport.

During the remainder of the day chamber of commerce members showed the visitors the sights of McMurray with its facilities for northern shipping.

INSPECTED BOAT

Capt. Julian Mills, son of one of the most famous captains of the early McKenzie river boats, showed the party through one of the newest of the Northern Transportation Company's fleet, the Radium Prospector.

This shallow draught motor ship carries a tow of four or five barges of 250 tons through the Athabasca water system.

Newly - completed constructions of the past season were also visited. The new tank farm of the B-A Oil Company, the telegraph and teletype building of the NAR and the aids to navigation building of department of public works were objects of interest.

Other improvements were the street lighting system of mercury vapour lamps and the enlarged power plant of Canadian Utilities Ltd., under the able management of Robert Duncan.

BANQUET HELD

A banquet was held in Waterways Community hall by the McMurray Chamber of Commerce. Under the direction of Alec Haxton, McMurray Hudson's Bay company manager. Dinner was prepared and served by a women's auxiliary. A lively stage show was presented by the pupils of the Separate School under the direction of two of the teaching sisters, and W. Walcer.

First subscribers on the system number 160 on an exchange equipped to handle 600 with possibilities for additional increase. A crew is still busy on installations under the supervision of Mr. Innes. AGT superintendent of installations.

Mr. Haxton gave the early history of McMurray in brief form from the company archives. In 1790 McMurray as Fort of the Forks was a post of the Northwest Company, and has been a trade centre ever since.

THE Homemaker

By EDITH WHITNEY

Hand-Made Gifts

Christmas is on its way—the stores have already begun a decoration campaign. Have you thought of Christmas yet? Many gifts can be made if a little thought is used.

Baskets for sewing or buns, reed trays and flower jardineres are all much appreciated. T.V. covers, tablecloths and place mats are always welcome. These can be made for far less than bought ready-made articles and a personal touch has been added. A piece of plaid gingham fringed with place mats that bring out the dominant color of the cloth is a gift to be treasured.

What about a little plaid shirt for that nephew who has guns, cars, games and bikes? Or if he has a horse he may enjoy a western shirt.

Stuffed toys made with those left over material scraps are always a favorite with toddlers.

Whatever the age, interests or needs of a person there is always a gift to make which will add a personal touch to the holiday season.

Venice

Mike Torresan from Drayton Valley spent a weekend visiting his parents.

Lorina Lefebvre and Johnny Ball from Edmonton were weekend visitors at the home of Lorina's parents.

Bruno Ferro is in an Edmonton hospital receiving treatment for severe burns.

Doreen Giacobbo and Val Biollo from Edmonton were recently visiting relatives.

Church Service— Once A Month

HYLO — United Church services were held by Rev. M. Monroe in the Hylo School, Sunday, Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m. and will be held once a month thereafter.

Gourin

Mrs. Fernand Ulliac has undergone surgery in St. Catherine Hospital.

Joe Dakin is a patient in University Hospital, Edmonton.

John Ulliac recently returned home from hospital.

John Aurele Duperron is employed by Johnson Brothers at Atmore.

Miss Mary Sutton was a visitor at Mr. and Mrs. C. Rudman's home.

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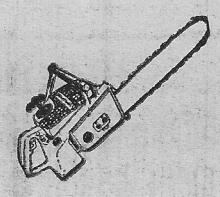

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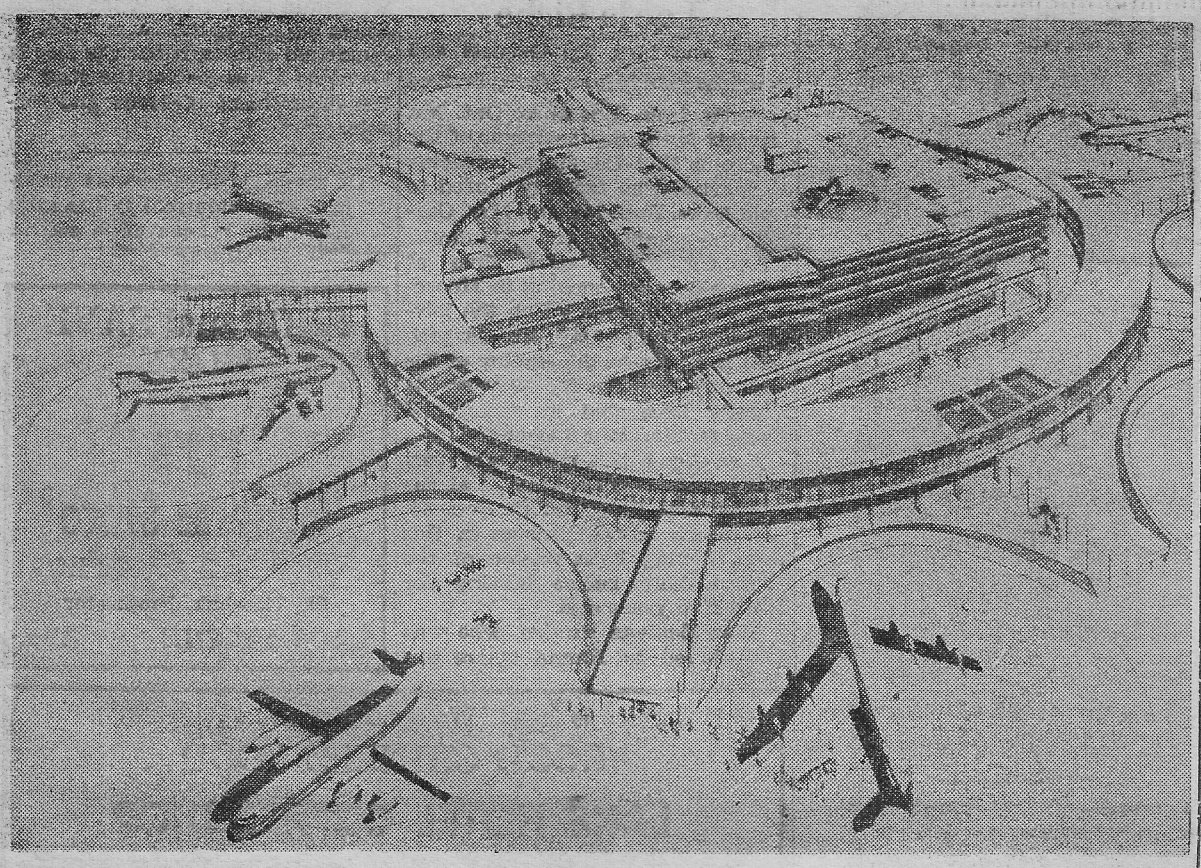

PLANS FOR A $20,000,000 jet transport and helicopter airport at Malton, Ont., are being considered by the department of transport. Traffic by 1971 is estimated at 4,000,000 passengers a year, and much of it is expected to be by huge jets and short-run helicopter services. The huge circular aeroquays in the diagram are self-contained and have high fences to prevent damage from jet exhaust. The central building is for administrative personnel.

Showers Held For Bride-To-Be

PLAMONDON — A surprise shower was held at the home of Mrs. Dave Ayotte to honor Miss Aline Plamondon whose marriage to Mr. Charles L'Heureux on Nov. 24, was celebrated at Plamondon. The shower was arranged by Mrs. Ayotte and Mrs. Roland Plamondon.

Games were enjoyed by some 30 ladies and girls of the district. The presenting and opening of the many beautiful gifts were the highlights of the evening.

In the meantime the young men organized a party at the home of Mr. Roland Plamondon and at midnight joined the ladies for lunch.

A shower was also given for the bride-to-be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Plamondon, sister and brother-in-law of Aline at their home in Jasper Place, on Nov. 8.

The Institute of Life Insurance says that the average premium paid by policyholders for each $1,000 of life insurance in 1957 was about one-fifth less than it was 10 years ago.

Noral

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sawchuk, John Kadiuk, F. Woychuk and Mrs. K. Cisto attended the car bingo at Edmonton.

George Skoreyko and Cliff Henson were hunting at Wandering River and they came home with a big moose.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sawchuk returned to Westview after visiting Mr. and Mrs. George and Gordey for a few months.

Mrs. Shelest entertained guests from Two Hills over the weekend.

Caslan

Mr. and Mrs. George Gordey motored to Edmonton for a day recently.

John Gereluk is a patient in the Lac la Biche hospital.

Glen Meyer spent several days in Edmonton visiting relatives.

George Larouge is home after working near Boyle.

Fred Boudreau was taken to Lac la Biche for medical attention.

Mrs. Kobrak and Peter Krawchuk were recent visitors to Edmonton.

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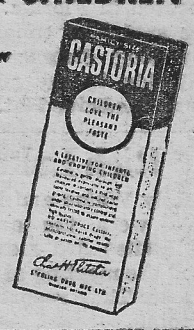

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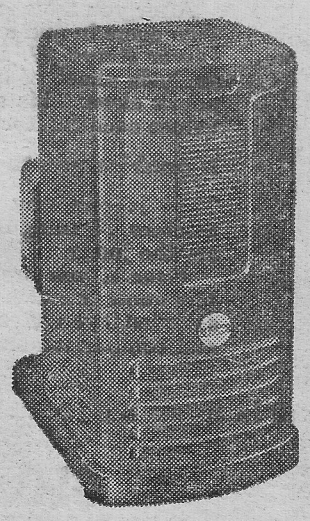

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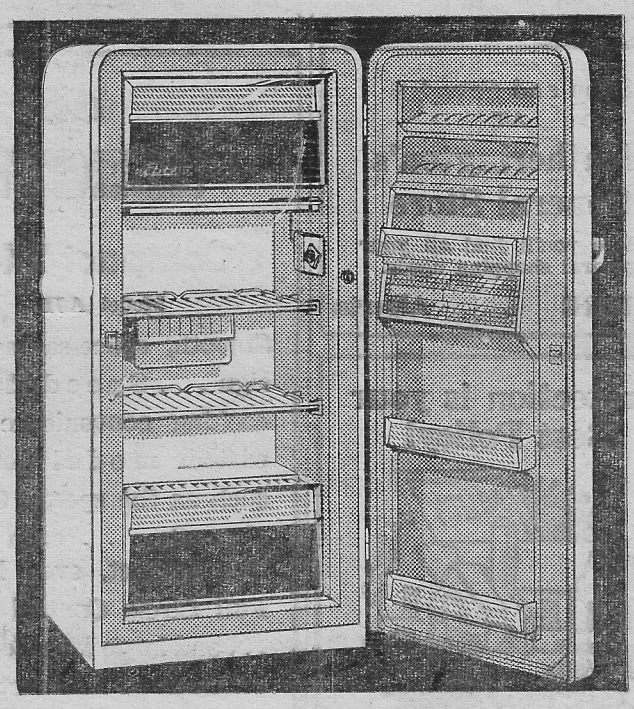

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Soldier Father Gets 10 Years For Son's Death

A six-man Supreme Court jury Tuesday found Alfred Edwyn Bompas guilty of manslaughter in the death of his 12-year-old son.

He was sentenced by Mr. Justice Primrose to 10 years' imprisonment in the Prince Albert Penitentiary. The 46-year-old soldier was tried for murder, but was found guilty of the reduced charge after the jury deliberated 90 minutes.

Bompas showed no emotion on hearing the verdict or sentence, and was quickly led away by his RCMP guards.

Evidence showed David John Bompas died from injuries received from a beating given him by his father in the basement of the family home at 10232 148 Ave., Griesbach Barracks, the night of Aug. 22. The boy was dead on arrival at the Royal Alexandra Hospital about 10 p.m.

Missing "Hat" Girl In Florida

MEDICINE HAT — Kim Bernhardt, 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bernhardt of Medicine Hat, missing since Oct. 20 has been located in Florida.

Police said Kim called her parents by long distance telephone from Florida to say she was returning to Medicine Hat.

Rich Lake

Mrs. Lily Waine and Mrs. Hazel Kumpula were the only United Church Ladies Aid members able to attend the meeting at Mrs. Monroe's home. They report an enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Johnson of Edmonton and Mrs. Ailie Makie of Lac la Biche were visitors here over the weekend.

Eino Tikkanen is visiting his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Gene Plamondon at Quesnel. Leslie Rama of Edmonton accompanied him.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemity of Thorhild visited at the Andrew Waine home recently.

The Rame family accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Makie, all of Edmonton, visited at the homes of E. Tikkanen, L. Aho and Andrew Waine.

COMPETITION among packagers is changing the habits of manufacturers of just about everything. Outboard motors used to be crated in wood; now you'll find them in heavy, corrugated paper. Milk used to come in glass; now it's in plastic-coated paper containers. Steel cans used to have a monopoly on most fluid products on the shelves; now you'll find aluminum and plastic containers by the thousand. Judy Shaw's exhibit here tells the story of the rise of plastic bottles into the glass and metal fields. Formerly all liquid soaps and detergents were packaged in metal but soon most of the containers will be heavy plastic.

Lac la Biche

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Garnett and daughters Judy and Jean, arrived recently from Moosonee, Ont. Mr. Garnett is the new manager of the Hudson's Bay Co. store, replacing E. Martin, who recently moved to Cold Lake. Both Mr. and Mrs. Garnett are originally from Manitoba, having spent some time at Churchill before moving to Moosonee, which is situated on the lower end of James Bay. Mr. Garnett, who has been in the employ of the Hudson's Bay Co. for 19 years, is greatly interested in radio, and holds an Amateur License.

Rev. Glen Finch, missionary from Haiti, will be guest speaker at the Evangelical Free Church Nov. 30. Mr. Finch is well known in this area, having been pastor of the Church here before leaving for Haiti five years ago.

Miss Emilene Pruden, who was transferred to Hanna where she worked in the offices of the special areas branch of the department of municipal affairs, is back in Lac la Biche as a member of the staff of the department of lands and forests.

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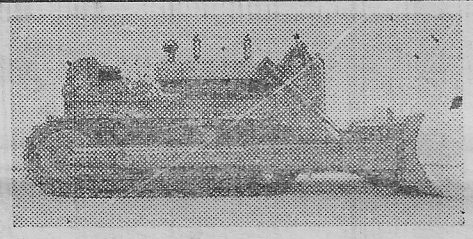

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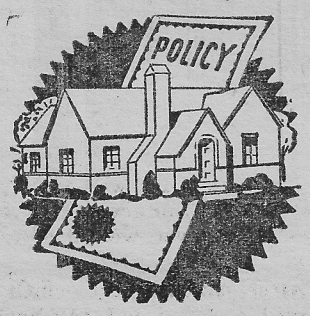

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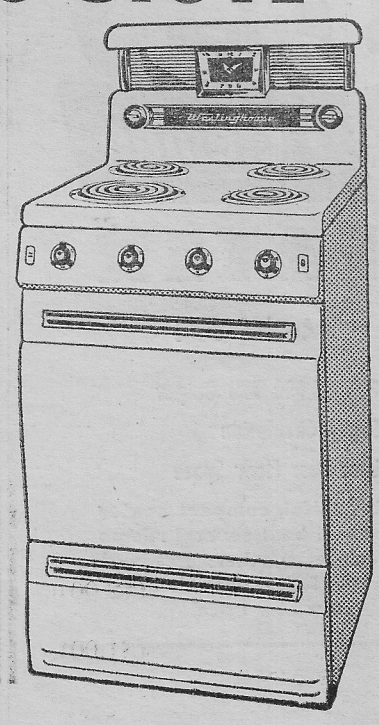

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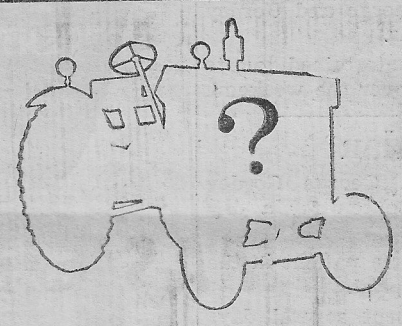

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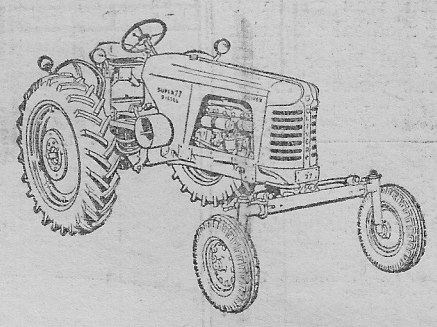

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Alberta District News In Brief

Northern Alberta Railway To Replace Rails, Switches For Diesel Engines

The laying of heavier steel tracks on the Northern Alberta Railway to accommodate diesel engines has been completed as far as Grimshaw, according to information received from M. Pileski, foreman of the NAR section.

The new 85-pound rail will replace the now existing 60-pound rail which is necessary for the heavier diesel engines.

A crew of 75 men is being employed in this operation and at the time of writing is 1½ miles east of Grimshaw.

Eight switches will also have to be replaced before the operation is completed. Putting the diesel engines into operation between Edmonton and Grimshaw will enable the NAR to pull a much greater tonnage than was possible with the steam type engine, particularly up the Peace River hill.

At this time it is unknown how soon the heavier rail will be laid between Grimshaw and Hines Creek, the end of the rail. However, the diesel engine will travel to Hines Creek on the existing rail at what is termed a slow speed.

The coming of the diesel marks another step towards the progress of transportation and development of the North Peace country.

Pairs And Squares Hold A Dance

GRIMSHAW — Grimshaw Pairs and Squares held their second get-together of the season recently at Kerndale hall. The evening was spent in square dancing with Duane Gilliland calling.

Guests were present from Fort St. John, Grande Prairie, and Fairview and an enjoyable evening was had by all.

Lloyd Johnston RCMP, Promoted

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnston of Vermilion received word recently that their son, Lloyd, has been promoted to corporal in the RCMP. He is now in Regina on a six weeks advanced refresher course.

Prior to leaving his northern Post at Stewart, B.C., he was honored at a farewell dinner where the citizens of the community presented him with an electric clock. The Boy Scouts presented him with a travelling bag and the Cubs with cuff links and tie pin set.

Lloyd and his wife Joy, with their three sons, David, Lorne and Kent, went by plane to his new posting at Chilliwack, B.C., where he is second in command of the city detachment.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were former Mannville residents and farmed south of town. They were well known and respected in the district.

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M.D. Minburn Makes Grant Of $200 For Regional Library Books

Council of the M.D. of Minburn introduced a by-law at its November meeting to authorize a grant of $200, in addition to the general grants for the year, for the purpose of buying books for the Regional Library.

The Innisfree Library Board had written council regarding this and Mr. Jasinski was present at the meeting. The by-law passed authorizing this grant.

Present at the meeting were Councillors Scott, Roland, Grabas, Samoil, Robert and Petruk. Reeve Roland presided.

Correspondence was read regarding Albin Zwirsky and the Ranfurly boundaries. Council agreed that all the subdivided areas or parcels around or adjacent to the original hamlet of Ranfurly be considered as in the hamlet.

A bylaw authorizing the concellation of certain taxes was introduced and passed by council.

Alex Lotosky called to complain that a culvert should have been placed in the road grade along his farm. Council agreed that a culvert will be supplied if Lotosky will instal it.

Mr. Horton of the Vegreville Observer was present regarding the printing of his paper. No decision was made.

Mike Sawiak called about the impoundment of his cattle Council deferred settlement until further reports are received.

Steve D. Sydora was present and asked council to purchase sufficient gravel from him to pay his taxes but council did not agree.

The secretary was instructed to write the Railway Commission opposing the application of the CNR to close their station at Lavoy.

Report of the Provincial Engineers was read re the Walter Malofy drainage problem. No definite action was taken.

Further correspondence was read regarding Wagner and a credit note for $20.77 covering the invoice on file was received.

Council passed a bylaw accepting the offer of $600 cash for the N.E. 14-48-10-4.

Court of Revision convened to hear the complaint of Steve S. Graschak against his personal property assessment in Ranfurly. It was agreed that this assessment be reduced by 20% of the stock-in-trade.

A letter as received from William Smart's solicitors demanding settlement of various items in connection with sections 27 and 28-'8-8-4. The secretary was instructed to advise that council accepts no further liability.

Council instructed the secretary to invite the Civil Defence representatives to attend the December meeting for the purpose of discussing re-organization.

Correspondence was read and discussion followed regarding the institution of a business tax in 1959. This was tabled until the December meeting.

Minburn-Vermilion and Vegreville Health Unit quarterly reports were presented but no action was taken.

Council reported it had attended to the request of Mrs. Mary Kulmatycki for payment of gravel taken from N.W. 36-52-12-4.

Committee appointed to assess the Sawiak-Sen pound case damages reported these had been fixed at $50. Council accepted the report and agreed to pay $50 to Sen and return $150 to Sawiak, retaining both investigation fees.

In the Mix-Hansen pound case, the committee set damages at $112. Council adopted this report, Hensen will be paid $112 and the balance will be returned to Mix Bros. Both investigation fees will be retained.

Following report and discussion of the meeting held in Vegreville re the buliding of a senior citizens' home, Councillor Robert was appointed as a committee to advise the proper authorities that council is dissatisfied with the proposed site because it is distant from the town centre, also on account of the soil and the railway crossing.

Council agreed that approval be given to Buckland's Frozen Food Centre locating on the S.W. 17-52-14-4 as requested by the department of industries and labor.

The following farm purchases under the Farm Purchase Credit Act were submitted to and approved by council: Meuder-Larson, Kully-Goshko, Hughes-Hughes and Marshall-Marshall purchase.

The 1955 and 1956 tax sale list of lands not redeemed was presented to council; also a list of agreements for sale in arrears. Council decided a circular letter will be prepared and sent to all owners advising the amount owing and that title will have to be taken as provided legally, unless arrears are paid.

The next meeting will be held December 8 at 10 a.m.

LOBA Elects New Officers

MANNVILLE — New officers were elected, to be installed at a future date at the meeting held recently at the lodge rooms.

Officers for the coming year: worthy mistress, Jean Schock; deputy mistress, Irene Finlay; junior deputy mistress, Ethel Mercer; chaplain, Faye McLaughlin; treasurer, Nettie McFadden; recording secretary, Margaret Lynch; guardian, Nolda Finlay; financial secretary, Wanda Prill; director of ceremonies, Lucille Hughes; first lecturer, Phyllis Jackson; second lecturer, Jane Chrysler; inner guard, Erna Gerhart; outer guard, Caroline Manz; pianist, Elsie Williams; second committee woman, N. Whitson; third committee woman, Isabella Hamilton; sick committee, Wanda Prill and L. Colborne; immediate past mistress, Ethel Hawley.

WI To Make Grandmother's Quilt Book

Creighton WI met at the home of Mrs A. Westover with 10 members present. Roll call was answered by "What would you like for a gift while in hospital?"

Toys were received for the children's ward at the hospital. Magazines were collected for the mental institute. Quilt blocks were brought and it was decided to make a Grandmother's Quilt Book to be shown at the convention in May, 1959.

All accounts were passed to be paid. A donation was given to the Mannville Library Association. Mrs. R Weaver won the mystery box.

After adjournment lunch was served and a social half-hour enjoyed.

The JA Group Plans Fish Pond

MANNVILLE — With permission granted by W.A.'s of Christ Church the Junior Auxiliary planned to have a fish pond at the Christmas tea and bazaar on Dec. 6 in the parish hall of the Anglican Church.

These enterprising young people met at the home of Joan Lugg with their leader, Jenet Pesklivets, Thursday of last week with full attendance. Pledges were renewed for the coming year.

Blue Polka Dot Pig Displayed At Royal Fair

TORONTO — Thousands of visitors to the Royal Angricultural Winter Fair are staring at a blue-dotted pig that can be eaten and whose breeders think will be around for a long time.

The pig, from the Tweddle Farms at Fergus, Ont., is one of the biggest sideline attractions at the eight - day agricultural and livestock fair, scheduled to end Saturday.

Jack Tweddle, an importer and breeder, said large crowds are showing steady interest in his odd animal, a cross between a Landrace boar and Large Black English sow.

The pigs blue dots — concentrated mainly around the rump and neck — disappear before its carcass is cut up and shipped off to the housewives.

The spots on the white-haired animal are caused by skin pigmentation and after slaughter the skin is as white as any pure white pig, Mr. Tweddle explained.

He said colored breeds of pigs are more suitable to outdoor keeping because they can resist sun scald, cold and skin diseases. The blue-dotted variety, first developed in England, also provides good milking mothers, large litters, hybrid vigor and good livability.

Bank Of Montreal Deposits Increase $306 Million Over '57---Annual Report

MONTREAL — Record levels were reached by the Bank of Montreal in resources and deposits for its 1958 fiscal year, the bank reported in its 141st annual report.

At the financial year-end, on Oct. 31, resources reached the $3¼ billion mark for the first time in its history, increasing $411 million over a year ago, to bring the 1958 total to $3,277 million.

A new high was also shown in deposits, with a $406 million increase over 1957, bringing the total to $3,038 million.

There was little change in the B of M's total loan figure, reflecting Canada's recession picture of the past year. This year's $1,417 million total compares with a figure of $1,438 million in 1957.

B OF M AIDS HOUSING

In this total are included NHA loans which rose by more than $40 million to $171,371,272, enabling more Canadians to buy homes of their own.

The B of M's traditionally-strong liquid position was maintained, according to the report, which shows quick assets at $1,926 million. This represents 62.1 per cent of liabilities to the public, compared with 54.8 per cent in 1957.

Evidence of the B of M's continuing expansion to meet the country's growing requirements, is found in the valuation set for bank premises, which shows a rise to $41 million from $36 million the previous year.

PROFITS RISE

A net profit of $10,356,690 is shown by the statement, an increase of $706,998 over 1957. Total earnings—before income taxes—are $22,889,690. Provision for taxes is $12,533,000 — $3,342,000 more than last year's figure of $9,191,000.

Payments to shareholders totalled $8,904,564—or $3,628,436 less than the bank's income tax payments—leaving a balance of earnings for the year of $1,452,126 on operations of more than 750 B of M offices in Canada and abroad.

This amount, added to 1957 undivided profits of $2,113,834, permitted a transfer of $2 million to the bank's rest account. This left undivided profits at $1,565,960 at October 31. The B of M rest or reserve account now stands at a new high level of $120 million.

STRONG LIQUID POSITION

The statement shows the B of M's traditionally strong liquid position continuing, with quick assets of $1,926 million reported, representing 62.1 per cent of liabilities to the public, as against 54.8 per cent last year.

Valuation of bank premises also rose—from $36 million in 1957 to nearly $41 million—a clear indication of the continuing expansion of B of M facilities to meet Canadians' growing requirements.

Bank Of Montreal Deposits Over 3-Billion Mark

MONTREAL — Deposits in the Bank of Montreal have passed the three-billion-dollar level for the first time in history, according to the 141st annual statement, issued this week. The bank's financial year ended Oct. 31.

Resources mounted to $3,277 million, an increase of $411 million over a year ago, the bank reports, while deposits stood at a new high of $3,038 million, some $406 million more than in 1957.

Reflecting Canada's recession picture of the past year, however, is the B of M's total loan figure of $1,417 million, showing little change from $1,438, as the figure stood a year ago. Included are NHA loans—themselves up more than $40 million to 171,371,272—enabling more Canadians to buy homes of their own.

Not Surprising

My press agent is getting me the wrong kind of publicity."

"Have you tried withholding his salary?"

PRESIDENT of the University of Alberta, Dr. Andrew Stewart has been appointed head of the new board of broadcast governors. His 15-man board determines the policy of operation of all radio and television programming in Canada.

Vimy

Residents of the district extend sympathy to the relatives of Lomer Gouin of Edmonton, formerly of Vimy, who passed away Nov. 13 at the age of 41.

Sympathy is also extended to the relatives of John Pelletier of Edmonton, former resident of this district.

Sister Agnes-Marie of Morinville made a short visit in town lately.

Father Ricard is now makin his parochial visit, while the weather and the roads are fine.

With the help of many residents the skating rink was built; although there is still a little work to be done.

in the Westlock Hospital recently.

Mrs. J. Ernewien was a patient

Mrs. Rose Pepin of Vancouver was a visitor in Vimy after attending the funeral of her father, John Pelletier of Edmonton.

Father Mailloux of St. Paul spent the week visiting in the district.

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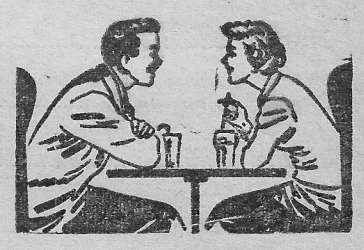
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Hooke Urges Industrial Taxation Study By Province "Immediately"

Industrial taxation must be studied immediately by the province, the Hon. A. J. Hooke, minister of municipal affairs, told an attentive audience at the 50th convention of Alberta Association of Municipal Districts.

In discussing reports that the government plans to step into the picture and take over collection of industrial tax and also the distribution of tax revenue to municipalities, he explained:

UNDER STUDY

"The entire matter has been under government study for the past three years.

"We all want industry, but there are problems as well as benefits. Edmonton and the Municipal District of Strathcona have problems. I don't think there is any argument that Edmonton should get some revenue from the industries located in Strathcona because of the services provided."

At the same time, said the minister, the municipality should not be placed in the situation of losing all the benefits.

He gave some examples of assessment and taxation to bulwark his argument that "that this is a problem that must be looked at."

ILLUSTRATIONS

He noted that Canada Cement has a plant in the Strathcona MD and also one in southern Alberta. Last year the assessment on the Strathcona plant was approximately $1,400,000. The mill rate was 40, with the company paying $57,000 in taxes.

The southern plant's assessment was 2½ times greater, standing at $3,200,000. However, the mill rate was lower and the tax payment worked out to $57,780.

Delegates heard a talk on winter employment by John Lyon, who serves on both provincial and federal committees, seeking to alleviate unemployment.

Wednesday afternoon, following a speech by Highways Minister Gordon Taylor, delegates began work on the first of the 35 resolutions to appear before the convention.

Dance Notice

WANDERING RIVER — A Bobby Sock Dance sponsored by the Wandering River Students Union will be held in the Wandering River hall on Friday, Nov. 28 at 8:30 p.m.

The air-conditioning industry has enjoyed a growth of 6,000 per cent in the past 20 years.

Ball Team, Fathers Enjoy Banquet

Members of the Pony League baseball team and their fathers enjoyed a turkey banquet Nov. 13 in the Memorial hall. Some 50 boys and their dads and special guests enjoyed the meal, convened by Rose Olstad and cooked and served by the mothers of the league players.

Speakers were Paul Bouvier, Jack Olstad and Jimmie McCormack. Humphrey Senetza, manager of the team, was master of ceremonies.

Anglican Service Every Second Week

HYLO — Rev. R. S. Greene held Anglican Church services on Nov. 16, and will hold his services every two weeks.

Notice To Farmers

Farmers still having calves to be vaccinated for contagious abortion "Bangs" are urged to get in contact with Hans Armfelt, Field Supervisor, Provincial Building, Athabasca as soon as possible as the general vaccination is now completed. A few farms will have been missed. The veterinarian will be in the Municipal District of Athabasca on Dec. 2nd and 3rd and those who have been missed at first, if they notify H. Armfelt, will be taken care of at this time.

PRIME MINISTER John Diefenbaker acknowledges the welcome given him by children of RCAF personnel at the National Defence school at Grostenquin, France, during his visit to the No. 3 Fighter Wing base there. The visit to the base was a scheduled stop on his round-the world tour.

Ellscott

Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hupka gathered at their home on Monday, Nov. 10, to celebrate their wedding anniversary.

The district regrets to hear of the death of John Poszluzny who passed away in Edmonton Sunday, Nov. 9. Funeral services and interment took place at St. Michael.

Mrs. M. N. Radmanovich was a recent patient in the Athabasca hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Suprovich of Smoky Lake were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hofmann.

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Hospital News

Patients admitted to St. Catherines Hospital, Lac la Biche, from Nov. 7-20, inclusive:

Mrs. William Hamilton, Lac la Biche; Darlene Cardinal, Kikino; Jackie Rochon, Plamondon; Sharon Cardinal, Kikino; John Humeny, Boyle; Felix St. Jean, Charron; Mrs. John Onufrw, Lac la Biche; Oliver St. Jean, Plamondon; Jean Ulliac, Gourin; Ernest Anderson, Mrs. Joseph Lavallee, Lac la Biche; Lionel Hebert, Breynat; Phyllis Michetti, Hylo; James Dumont, Lac la Biche; Bruno Ferro, Venice; Mrs. Roger Aubee, Breynat; Jean J. Crutz, Denise Bourassa, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Alice Caron, Plamondon; Mrs. Bessie Dent, Amesbury; Mrs. Leonard Johanson, Sharon Whitford, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Leo Charbonneau, Lac la Biche Mission; Frank Pruden, Owl River; Howard Price, Sister M. Regina, Lac la Biche; Jean Esther Cardinal, Kikino; Mrs. Madeline Cardinal, Lac la Biche Mission; Mrs. Charlotte Norris, Jeannette Cadieux, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Fred Weibel, Owl River; Frank Tormul. Edmonton; Mrs. Alex Lozinski, Hylo; Ronald Boucher, Noral; Emiline Desjarlais, Imperial Mills; Arthur Paul, Mrs. John H. Clark, Charles Sandelin, Randy Beaudry, Lac la Biche; Audrey Thompson, Kikino; Jay Sew, Wilfrid Wilson, Lac la Biche;

Cheryl Kanzig, Atmore; Lawrence Shank, Plamondon; Wayne Cardinal, Kikino; Joseph Dakin, Gourin; Jean Le Rouzic, Atmore Mrs. Bella Whitford, Lac la Biche; Phyllis Cadieux, Plamondon; Mrs. Maria Coli, Hylo; Gerald Cardinal, Mile 151; Morris Pruden, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Rene Proulx, Wandering River; Leno Caron, Briereville; Mrs. Magdalena Spitzl, Edmonton; Lloyd Whitford, Noral; Mrs. James Joncas, Mrs. Leon Duperron, Lac la Biche; Mike Nahrabinezyk, Frains; Mrs. Jean Le Rouzic, Atmore; Paulette St. Jean, Charron; John Gereluk, Caslan; Joe Brodoski, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Adrien Bourassa, Plamondon; Henriette Proulx, Wandering River; Mrs. Fernand Ulliac, Gourin; Sister Marie Ludger, Plamondon; Patricia Anna Lachowich, Rich Lake; Thomas Maccagno, Wayne Contois, Lucy Smith, Lac la Biche; Areal Quintal, Imperial Mills; Peter Bluda, Grassland; Lozarre Bearskin, Lac la Biche; Micheal Cardinal, Tweedie; Mrs. Richard Couture, McMurray; Edward Gauthier, Mrs. Arthur Lizotte, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Walter Stratichuk, Hylo; Cecile Lamoureux, Normandeau; Laura Duhamel, Lac la Biche; Dennis Calliou, Kikino; Theresa Beaver, Lac la Biche; Mrs. Cleophys Littlechilds, McRae;

Thomas Demerchant, Mrs. Olive Auger, David Rizzoli, Lac la Biche; Lea Plamondon, Avenir; Shirley Ann Arnfinson, Lac la Biche; Walter Stratichuk, Hylo; Mrs. Margarita Reiss, Waterways; Blair Gaudet, Plamondon; Mrs. James Campbell, Atmore; Lynn McCullough, Kikino; George Cardinal, Tweedie; Alma Erasmus, Kikino; Ernest Cardinal, Beaver Lake; Mrs. Archie Mountain, Big Bay.

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. James Rudiger, of Lac la Biche, a girl; Mr. and Mrs. Alcide Plamondon, of Plamondon, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dakin, of Plamondon, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Whitford, of McRae, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Tarrabaine, of Lac la Biche, a boy.

Amber Valley

Geraldine Whittaker held a birthday dinner in her home on Sunday, Nov. 16. Dinner was served and she received many gifts such as nylons, perfumes and candy.

Visitors from Edmonton over the weekend were: Alfred Beaver and Pat Whittaker; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mayes and Bernice Bowen. Mr. Roy Carothers was here over the weekend from Violet Grove.

Due to water shortage at school in Grassland, the school was closed down for one day.

Wallet Found

HYLO—Nick Owchar who had lost his wallet containing valuable documents besides two cheques and $22 in cash was much surprised and relieved when Mr. Poholski found the wallet with all contents intact.

Cricket fighting was a favorite game in India.

Atmore

Terry Conroy of Edmonton is visiting David Heatherington and family.

The Rev. Mr. Munro of Lac la Biche held services at the Ronnie Matheson home, Nov. 16. The next service will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Stanchfield, Nov. 30 at 7:30. All interested people are invited to attend.

A number of the relatives of Mrs. Lorraine Baldwin journeyed to Edmonton this week to attend her funeral held on Monday. Mrs. Baldwin, the former Lorraine Kanzig, was born and raised in the Atmore district.

The dance held in the Atmore community hall by the Community club on Nov. 14, was well attended. Music was by Louis Turgeon's Normandeau orchestra.

Jean Le Rouzie, who recently suffered two strokes and is in Lac la Biche hospital, is reported to be recovering. Mrs. Le Rouzie is also a patient in hospital.

Atmore saw its first snow of the season on Nov. 14.

Has His Pick

Mrs. M. W. writes: — "A doctor who recently located in our street has three handsome children. The other day I heard my neighbor's little girl say to her playmate, "Those pretty children over there are the doctor's."

"Yes, I know," said the other little girl, "he brings lots of bebies and he keeps the best for himself."

NORTHERN CLUB CALENDAR by NORTHLAND UTILITIES

PLAMONDON—

The St. Isador's Parish Annual Bazaar will be held in The Plamondon Community Hall Sunday, Nov. 30, at 1:30 p.m. There will be games, bingo, raffles, assorted articles for sale. Supper will be served from 5:30 on. At 8:30 in the evening there will be an interesting movie in Technicolor. Everyone welcome.

VENICE—

Annual Turkey Bingo in aid of the Venice Church will be held on December 14—11 games $1.00. Lunch will be served and everybody is welcome.

ATHABASCA HEALTH UNIT—

Presents a schedule of the clinics for the district for the following month, December, 1958:

PLACE	DATE	TIME
Owl River No. 1 School	Wed., Dec. 3	2:30-3:30 p.m.
Hylo School	Wed., Dec. 10	10:30-12 noon
Caslan School	Cancelled for Dec.	
Kikino School	Thurs., Dec. 4	1:30-3:30 p.m.
Imperial Mills School	Wed., Dec. 17	1:30-3:30 p.m.
Rich Lake School	Thurs., Dec. 18	1:30-3:30 p.m.
Grassland Nurses' Home	Mon., Dec. 8	1:00-3:30 p.m.
Grassland Nurses' Home	Mon., Dec. 22	1-3:30 p.m.
Caslan Colony	Cancelled for Dec.	
Lac la Biche Office	Fri., Dec. 5	10:00-11:00 a.m.
Lac la Biche Office	Fri., Dec. 19	1:30-4:30 p.m.

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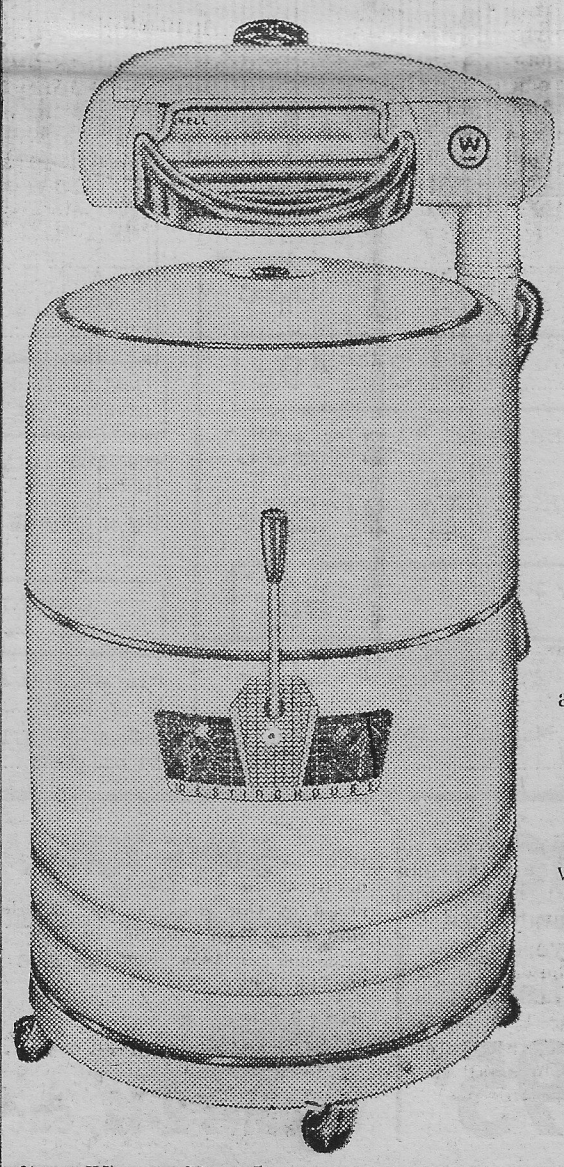

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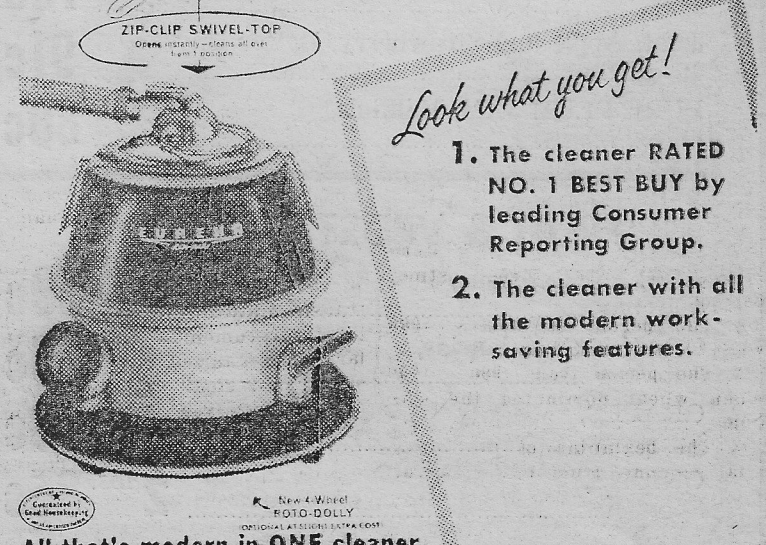
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AMONG 150 GUESTS of the Sun Publishing Co. Ltd. and CFRN Radio and TV at a morning coffee party for the wives of delegates attending the 50th convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts in Edmonton last week, were the wives of the reeves of the province pictured here. Co-hosts were Sun Publishing president T. W. Pue and wife, and Sunwapta Broadcasting Co. president G. R. A. Rice and wife. In this photo Mrs. Pue is shown standing at the extreme left, and Mrs. Rice, second from the right. The social was attended by radio and TV personalities Mrs. Laura Lindsay, Tony Beamonte, Irv. Shore, TV manager Sid Lancaster, musical director Harry Farmer and others. Mr. and Mrs. Pue's son Wesley, 4, made the draw for the door prize. This was won by Mrs. Margaret Frayne, MD of Rockyview, Calgary, who said she was "overwhelmed" by her good fortune and the gift, a silver and crystal Lazy Susan.

BANQUET SPEAKER

Senator Cameron Discusses Education

SUMMARIZES FOR MD DELEGATES 186 BRIEFS SUBMITTED TO COMMISSION

Senator Cameron, director of the Banff School of Fine Arts and head of the Royal Commission on Education, spoke on "Education and Government" at the 50th anniversary dinner of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts in Edmonton last week. Here is the text of his speech:

INTRODUCTION

The celebration of this 50th anniversary marks the end of one year and the beginning of another, and for this reason, is a good time to evaluate the past and assess the future.

The first 50 years of history of your association has been characterized by a predominantly physical challenge to the ingenuity and resources of our citizens. During this time, a vast empire was opened up and settled.

A glance at some of the historical landmarks of this country underlines how new we are. For example, the last Indian battle was fought between the Crees and Blackfeet in the valley of the Old Man River in 1871. The first herds of cattle were brought into southern Alberta in 1873, the first railway in 1883.

In 1901 there were 73,000 people in Alberta. In 1905 portion of the North West Territories that we now occupy, became the Province of Alberta. In 1908, the provincial university was established.

Today the province has a population in excess of 1,200,000, and we have three university campuses instead of one.

DEVELOPMENT

The historical and economic development of this part of Western Canada falls into three distinct periods:

1. The period of 1880 - 1900 when cattle was king.
2. The period from 1900 - 1950 when wheat dominated the economy.
3. The beginning of the industrial economy from 1950 onwards.

In 50 years the character of our population has changed from 60% rural and 40% urban, until today it is exactly reversed with 60% urban and only 40% rural, and of this 40%, 15% live in uncorporated villages of less than 1,000 people, so the actual farm population today is 25% of our total population. Nothing is more significant of the revolutionary change in our society than this swing from a predominantly rural society to one that is predominantly urban, and nothing is more significant to the leaders of local government than this change because it reflects a completely new set of needs for social and municipal services.

TRIBUTE TO PIONEERS

It would not be proper to pass this occasion without paying tribute to the courage, perseverance and tremendous achievement of the pioneers who, without fanfare or thought of reward, built towns and villages, schools and churches, roads, railways, and telephone lines and converted a virgin land into the bread and meat basket of North America. For example, 27% of hogs marketed in all Canada go through Edmonton yards. Some of the finest herds of cattle and sheep to be found in North America graze on the western foothills and the short grass plains.

In spite of all these tremendous achievements, the Alberta homesteader has never lost his sense of adventure, his willingness to try anything once, and his unfailing sense of humour. And above all, his sense of bouyant optimism. Alberta's people are well named next year's people.

As we look back over the last 50 years, we are able to see the transformation in the forms of local government — first from the large unorganized districts to the small municipal units, which in turn, have given way to the enlarged units of administration for municipal and school purposes— to the final evolution of the county system, which is likely to be the lasting form of municipal government in this country.

EARLY ROAD BULIDING

In terms of efficiency, I think there maybe a parallel between the pioneer forms of local government and the pioneer forms of road building. I am sure there are many men in this audience whose first experience in road building was following a slip and a two-horse team, filling pot holes and sloughs, as they used this means of working off a share of their taxes. We thought it was a great advance when we got the large-wheeled scrapers or fresnos. Then came the blade graders pulled by anywhere from four to twelve horses. We were really going forward when we got self propelled graders.

Today, the huge 25 ton Turnapuls and Letourneaus can move more dirt in 24 hours than was moved by all the equipment in a municipality 30 years ago.

As a result of the processes of modern technology, we have changed the face of the land. Today, a network of fine highways stretch in every direction. The processes of commerce and communication have been speeded up and with these changes have come a whole new arrangement in our community life. The one-room country school and the local community hall, which was the seat of education and the social focus of the community 30 years ago, has all but disappeared.

CENTRALIZATION

This local unit of community relationships gave way some years ago to the local market town, which for a time became both the market and the social centre. Today, we are witnessing a further centralizing of commercial, social and educational life, with the gradual decline of many towns, which are now giving way to still larger district centres In other words, the same thing that happened to the country school house and the country community hall, is beginning to happen to our smaller towns.

What has been happening in our rural districts is shown in a study made for the Royal Commission on Education by Dr. E. J. Hanson. For example: "In 1946, almost 45% of the people in small incorporated towns and villages with less than 1,000 people, had moved into these places during the five-year period 1941-6. Many of these were retired farmers or active farmers who, because of improved roads, were able to carry on their farming operations from the town or village. Almost one third of the people in the urban centres with 1,000 people or more (excluding Calgary and Edmonton) had "moved in" during the same five years. One quarter of the residents of Calgary and Edmonton had become residents of these cities betwen 1941 and 1946. No comparable data is available yet for the 1946-56 period, but all indications point to a continuation of the 1941-6 trend."

YOUNG PEOPLE

Another aspect of the migration from the rural to urban centres is that the movement was greatest among the young people and this trend is likely to continue. This means a number of things. First, it means that those who are remaining on the farms are older people, secondly it means that if rural young people are going to have to compete with urban people in an industrial society they will have to have the kind of education which will enable them to do so. A third complication is that with the trend to larger farm units, the people who remain on the farms will find farming an increasingly complex operation which must be treated as a business rather than as a way of life.

No examination of the situation in Alberta would be complete without a recognition of what the discovery of oil at Leduc in 1947, and the subsequent development of the petroleum industry, has done for the province. Our economists report that between 1931 and 1946 Alberta was losing population at an increasing rate and they estimate that if there had been no petroleum development, the population would have been about 800,000 during the immediate post-war years and that it might have declined to 750,000 by 1956. Instead of this decline, the population rose from 803,000 in 1946 to 1,123,000 in 1956, and to our 1,200,000 today.

EDUCATION

This tremendous acceleration in population growth has had serious implications for both education and local government. From the educational standpoint it has meant that our educational authorities have been charged with the responsibility of providing a basic education appropriate to an industrial rather than a rural society, with an emphasis on vocational training not hitherto required. From the standpoint of municipal government, it has meant that an increasing amount of tax money has been required to provide the roads, the schools, and the type of education required. As the trend to the county system grows, the relationship between municipal government and education will inevitably become closer.

While these changes have been taking place in our local and provincial society, the same process of change has been operating throughout the world. We are concerned tonight with what has happened in the last 50 years—from 1908 to 1958. The peaceful, relatively unmechanized days between 1908 and 1914 seem to belong to another age and almost to another planet. Two world wars since 1914, plus a continuing series of smaller ones, plus a new kind of war—the cold one—have resulted in a rate of technological and social change without precedent in history. The result has been, particularly since 1945, an industrial revolution of colossal magnitude as we have entered the age of space and electronics.

NEW CONCEPTS

New concepts of time, space and energy have revolutionized industry, but great as the changes have been in this field, even greater changes have been evolving in our social systems and in our forms of government. No form of government has been more affected than our system of local and municipal government. The change from a predominantly rural society with relatively few and simple needs, to an urban society with a multiplicity of complex needs, has brought about a relationship between local, provincial and federal governments which imposes demands and responsibilities on the local unit which it was never designed to carry.

Out of this great welter of change has come a new searching for ideas, a new scrutiny of some of our basic assumptions with respect to democracy, and particularly a new examination of our system of education.

WAR'S EXAMPLE

Educators and those concerned with financing education, began to show some concern about the need to re-examine our ideas of education before the close of

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MUNICIPAL CONVENTION

Halmrast Explains CD in Rural Areas

AGRICULTURE MINISTER POINTS OUT WHAT PROVINCE EXPECTS OF MD's

Civil Defence for Alberta as it affects rural areas was the subject of an address by the Hon. L. C. Halmrast, minister of agriculture, at the 50th annual convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts last week. Here are his remarks printed in full:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am grateful for the opportunity to appear before you to present the subject "Civil Defence for Alberta as it affects the Rural Areas." I assure you that if the government had not considered this matter most important, I would not have encroached on your time. I fully realize how very busy you are in this, your fiftieth annual convention.

I should like first of all to extend greetings to you from the provincial government and to offer special congratulations on your golden jubilee. I sincerely trust that we shall have many years of peace during which the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts will continue to develop as our population and economy expand.

The international situation seems to grow progressively worse as the years roll along. The communist world is putting relentless pressure on the free wor'd—in Korea, Indo-China, the Middle East, and now in the Far East. In regard to Quemoy, President Eisenhower has stated that the United States will fight, if necessary. This blunt warning may deter aggression in that area, but the communists may open a new front elsewhere in the continually expanding cold war. The great danger is that a miscalculation may plunge the world into war, a war that would be devastating to Canada—and Alberta.

AEROPLANES

It is interesting to note that this year we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the operational aeroplane. On Oct. 3 and 6, 1908, Wilbur Wright from the U.S.A. successfully flew his airplane a total distance of 30 miles, in two trips, carrying one passenger. This brought him $100,000 for the French patents and the manufacture of aeroplanes commenced shortly after. Many of us in this room over the age of 50 years have seen the aeroplane develop from this small beginning, into the inter-continental jet bomber of today —a terrible agent of destruction.

Newspapers and magazines have published considerable information about the inter-continental ballistic missile or ICBM. These are fearful weapons but it is considered that no country will have them in a decisive quantity during the next few years, at least. Meanwhile, our radar detection systems, the DEW line in the Arctic, the Mid-Canada line and the Pine Tree line will give us adequate warning of the approach of enemy bombers. We should all be very thankful that Canada and the United States have provided us with these detection systems.

RADAR

Most of you will have heard that these radar lines cannot detect the ICBM. That is true, but the U.S.A. is constructing a special type of radar that will do so at a distance of 3,000 miles and over. This is possible because the ICBM rises to a height of 800 miles or more after being launched. Compare this with today's best radar, which has a range of 400 miles. These new types of radar will be operational in the very near future—if indeed they are not operational now.

It is interesting to note that the U.S.A. has provided one billion dollars to develop an anti-missile which, with the aid of this new type of radar and electronic computing machine, will shoot down the ICBM long before it can reach settled areas in North America.

WAR

If a thermonuclear war should occur, it is expected that the aggressor will attack certain of our vulnerable areas. Among the first priority targets selected by the enemy undoubtedly would be air and missile bases of the western

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nations, immediately followed by production, power, population, and transportation centres. These will be attacked by "aimed" bombs and missiles, many of which willl find their way to the selected targets. They are likely to be unleashed in the early minutes or hours of any future war in an attempt to deliver an immediate knockout blow, thereby minimizing any possible retaliation by the western nations.

We do not believe that Alberta contains any important targets—excepting possible air or missile bases—that would justify deliberately aimed enemy bombs or missiles during the first few hours of war. This, except for random bombs which I shall refer to in a moment, will provide us with a bonus of a few hours additional time to implement evacuation and reception arrangements. It may also enable us to authorize the movement of valuable processed foods and other goods—retail and wholesale—out of our major centres, after the people have been successfully evacuated.

BOMBS

The problem of random bombs will be most serious. If war should come, there will be immediate attacks against the North American continent, and it is obvious that much of the air battle will be fought in the skies over Canada. We in Alberta are therefore right in the combat zone. During the air battle it can be expected that many enemy aircraft carrying H-bombs will be shot down with their bomb load or, when damaged, will jettison their lethal cargo. In either case, an unaimed or "random" weapon will undoubtedly be detonated, producing all the effects of a bomb aimed at the particular area. As stated, this could occur anywhere in Alberta right from the first few minutes of the war.

Civil Defence planning in Canada is based on the assumption that the thermonuclear weapons used by the enemy will be the equivalent of 5 million tons of TNT or 5 megatons. The A bombs used against Japan were rated at 20,000 tons of TNT. You may ask: What is the energy equivalent of 20,000 tons of TNT? The answer is that this amount of energy, suitably applied, could raise a ship the size of the Queen Mary to a height of seventy miles. The 5 megaton H-bomb is 250 times more powerful than the bombs used against Japan, and you can see, therefore, how enormous the energy release is.

H-BOMB EFFECTS

As you hay have heard many times before, the effects of the detonation of an H-bomb are fourfold:

(a) Blast—the blast would be felt out to a distance of 15 miles from the centre of the explosion, and could destroy Edmonton completely.

(b) Heat—or thermal radiation from a 5 megaton bomb would ignite combustible material out to a distance of 9 miles from the centre of the explosion.

(c) Initial Nuclear Radiation—is the gamma radiation given off by the bomb as it explodes. With larger and larger weapons the importance of initial radiation becomes less and less in comparison with blast and thermal effects. In short, if one survived the blast and heat, there would be nothing to fear from initial radiation.

RADIATION

(d) Residual Nuclear Radiation or Fallout — is the result of a ground burst of an H-bomb. In this case, particles of dirt are drawn up with the fireball and mushroom cloud. This cloud is full of radioactive fission products from the explosion, which condense on the particles of dirt and fall back to earth. The danger in this case is very real, particularly because deadly radioactive fallout from these random bombs would originate anywhere in our country—even from a remote and relatively unpopulated area. A fallout cloud might contaminate an area downwind from the explosion 200 miles long by 40 miles in width, and so

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World War II. The needs of war had demonstrated as never before the requirements for many people who were highly skilled not only in the armed forces, but in the civilian mobilization necessary for war industry. New techniques of training in the armed services and in industry were evolved, and at the close of hostilities the most imaginative program of university training for war veterans ever applied, was put into force.

The rapidly rising birth rate in the post-war years suggested the need for greatly revising all previous estimates of the number of classrooms and teachers needed in the year following 1950. Educators began to talk about the "Battle of the Bulge" when the huge crop of post-war babies would begin to invade the classrooms of our public schools, and then the universities. Any assessment of the needs based on various population projections were enough to make school and municipal authorities shudder at the increase in budgets which those numbers would involve.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

In this same period of time, 1949 - 1954, three events of international significance took place which underlined the new role to be taken by education in our system of government. The first, a seemingly unrelated event, was the rise of Red China in 1949 and the alienation of its 600 million people from a position of friendship with the West. The second event which has had a profound effect on our society, was the outbreak of the Korean War in 1951 which marked the real beginning of the segregation of the world into two opposing camps. The third event was the so-called Cold War which was a continuation of the other two.

These events for the first time posed a serious challenge to what we have been pleased to call our western way of life. A fourth event, the launching of the Sputniks on October 4th, 1957, was the final warning to the West that the challenge was one of dangerous proportions.

MANPOWER SHORTAGE

By 1956, business and industry were greatly concerned by the shortages in skilled manpower, particularly in the fields of engineering. The St. Andrews Conference brought many of Canada's top educators and business leaders together and the figures quoted to that gathering indicated the need for drastically raising our sights for the training of university students.

The National Conference of Canadian Universities, some months later, came out with similar statistics and financial estimates that by the standards of 1956 were astronomical. In the spring of 1957, plans were made to convene a National Conference on Education in Ottawa in Febraury 1958.

In another sphere, the province of Ontario, as early as 1954, established the Hope Commission on Education which took five years to study the educational needs of the province and spelled out their findings in a document 943 pages in length. The province of Nova Scotia established a much more modest inquiry which reported in 1954.

EDUCATION COMMISSION

In 1957 the province of Manitoba established a Royal Commision on Education and in December 1957, the province of Alberta did likewise. The province of British Columbia followed suit in January 1958. In the meantime, President Eisenhower had held the Presidents Conference on Education in 1957.

From this it will be seen that in the last ten years, but particularly in the last three or four years, there has been a growing concern in North America about the adequacy of our educational system. While the inquiry has not taken the same form, a searching re-examination of the objectives, methods and goals of education has been going on in Great Britian. So in essence, then, the whole Anglo-Saxon world is engaged in a searching re-examination of its educational system.

It will be recalled that in Alberta a new curriculum and a new system of school administration through the larger school units came into effect from 1937 onwards. The new curriculum sought to place a more social emphasis on education and to carry the program out in a more permissive than prescriptive form.

Some people have called this progressive education. Others have called it the Enterprise system, and in recent years many people have sought, often without adequate knowledge, to lay all of the shortcomings of our present educational program at the door of this type of education.

23 HEARING POINTS

When the Royal Commission was set up in Alberta, we immediately decided that every opportunity would be given to the people in every part of the province and from every walk of life to express their views on education. The province was divided into 23 hearing points so that no person would have to go more than 50 miles to present his case. The help of Home and School Associations, farm organizations, teachers' associations, school board, chambers of commerce, teaching faculties and private individuals was sought in undertaking studies, anaylses and comparisons.

A number of carefully prepared studies were set up to be carried out under a well-trained research staff. The assistance of the newspapers, radio and television stations was sought with a view to having them create a climate of inquiry and understanding by the widest possible dissemination of submissions made to the Commission.

PAYS TRIBUTE

And here, I would like to pay a tribute to the newspapers, radio and television stations of Alberta, for the splendid job of reporting they did. Not only was the coverage of the hearings accurate and comprehensive, but even when, on occasions, reporters wrote interpretive pieces, they did it very well. The result has been the creation of a deep and widespread interest which has been most helpful to the work of the Commission and it is a pleasure to acknowledge our debt to them. It has been a fine piece of public service.

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Public hearings were held in 23 centres in Alberta from Medicine Hat to the Peace River country. One hundred and eight-six briefs were submitted at public hearings and some 35 other submissions have been made in private hearings. Several of the briefs ran to 200 pages of type and on more than one occasion the original brief was followed by a supplementary brief of almost equal length.

Over 5,000 individual recommendations have been made to the Commission and a number of organizations such as Home and School groups, and Chambers of Commerce, have undertaken studies which will continue long after the Commission has made its report. The picture I would like to leave with you is one in which literally hundreds of Alberta citizens have spent many hours a week for several months, searching their own minds and exchanging views and ideas with their friends and neighbors.

MUCH DATA

They have prepared data, made comparisons with other provinces, and in general, have done a very thorough job of trying to gather facts and crystallize opinions. Business men and industrialists have been equally generous with their time. The Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers' Association have each undertaken specific studies. University faculty members, officials of the Department of Education, Agriculture, Trade and Industry, and Health, have all been helpful and co-operative. The

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MD's Want Govt. Handle Industry Tax

SOCIAL CONVENER during the past 14 years of conventions for Alberta Association of Municipal Districts, Mrs. R. P. Umbrite of Chancellor in the MD of Wheatland was presented with a "thank you" gift—a copper cannister set. Performing the pleasant duty on behalf of the wives of delegates attending the 50th convention is Mrs. H. C. Scammell, Brooks, County of Newell. Looking on (centre) is Mrs. J. M. McKay, Brent, MD of Vulcan. One hundred and fifty attending the morning coffee party jointly sponsored by the Sun Publishing Co. Ltd. and CFRN Radio and TV.—Photo by Ken Larson.

Former MD Head Visits City

As Edmonton heads for a population mark of 300,000, the city's growth since he first came here nearly 50 years ago is "amazing", in the opinion of Frank H. Holmes of Sanca on Kootenay Lake, B.C.

Mr. Holmes was attending the 50th anniversary convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts at the Macdonald. He was president of the association from 1931 to 1933, when he lived at Pincher Creek.

Mr. Holmes recalled that he came to Edmonton about 1910 and lived here for three years. He was here before Jasper Ave. was paved and recalled the difficulties of travelling the streets in those early days.

"The difficulties are different today," he said. "There has been a great increase in traffic. I noticed this when I got caught in a traffic tie-up."

After living in Alberta for 50 years, Mr. Holmes retired and moved to British Columbia eight years ago.

During the war years, Mr. Holmes served as a member of the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act board in Alberta.

Resolutions Urge Re-Opening Fairview School, Tax On Drilling Equipment

The provincial government has been invited to take over the full scope of industrial taxation in Alberta. The proposal came in a resolution passed at the concluding session of the 50th annual convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts.

Sponsored by the municipal districts of Strathcona and Leduc the resolution suggested the province handle the assessment, collection and distribution of the tax on a formula basis. It was approved in principle.

STUDY NEEDED

In recent speeches Municipal Affairs Minister A. J. Hooke has called for a study of the industrial tax, declaring that a definite problem exists.

It has been rumored that the province is considering taking over the entire field which is now the responsibility of the municipalities. The resolution elicited little discussion.

Earlier, delegates had called on the government to "toughen up" annexation procedures, maintaining that urban areas seemed to be developing a "principle" that rural industries be brought into their orbit.

DRILLING TAXES

Another resolution passed Friday asked for legislation permitting municipalities to tax heavy drilling equipment on the basis of a certain rate per foot of each hole drilled.

At the present time such equipment is assessed and taxed at the first of the year and all taxes kept in the area where this procedure takes place. If the equipment moves into another municipality and uses the roads there, no benefits go to the municipality.

A. W. Morrison, deputy minister of municipal affairs, told delegates the government would "welcome" such a resolution.

Resumption of operations at the Fairview School of Agriculture was urged in a resolution.

Delegates decided to hold the 1959 convention in Edmonton in mid-November.

Re-Elect Hayes Head Municipal Districts Assoc.

Re-elected president of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts at the conclusion of the convention was C. P. Hayes of Strome, M.D. of Flagstaff.

Vice-president is J. McKay, councillor for the County of Vulcan, from Brent.

Directors named were G. W. Moyer, M. D. of Srathcona, from Fort Saskatchewan; J. F. Smith, M. D. of Fairview, from Fairview; and C. L. Doman, M.D. of Red Deer, from Innisfail.

Mr. Doman fills the vacancy left by A. B. Haarstad, M.D. of Lacombe, from Bentley, who passed away last March.

AGRICULTURE MINISTER POINTS OUT WHAT PROVINCE EXPECTS OF MD's

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would pose a serious threat to life in that area. Protection against fallout consists primarily in having trained personnel who can detect and advise all concerned regarding fallout, and secondly, in teaching people how to prepare and use all available refuge.

"Refuge" from fallout—as distinct from "shelter" from the blast effect of an H-bomb—can be provided relatively simply and should be made available in homes, schools, hospitals, theatres, churches, etc., throughout Alberta.

PROTECTION

Any building gives some measure of protection against fallout. On the ground floor of a frame house, the reduction factor is one-half, in the basement one-tenth. Merely getting below the ground surface reduces the intensity to one-tenth. A root cellar or structure covered with about 3 feet of earth would give almost complete protection. It will often be possible to improve the protection of a refuge while taking advantage of it. Such improvement depends on piling more and more materials around the refuge space. In an emergency people would have to remain in refuge until Civil Defence authorities declared it safe to come out.

The aim of Civil Defence is to prevent the unnecessary loss of life and to ensure the continuity of effective civil government, thus keeping the home front strong.

TRAINING

In order to achieve this aim, all municipalities will be required to organize and train suitable Civil Defence forces in accordance with local needs.

It is the approved policy of Civil Defence in Canada to disperse the population from designated target areas to prevent an unnecessary loss of life in the event of an attack by H-bombs and missiles. This is "Survival Planning" and comprises four main phases:

FOUR PHASES

(a) Phase "A"—the first stage of evacuation; the thinning out stage, that is, the removal of women, children, inmates of institutions, etc., when the federal government warns that war is imminent. This stage will normally begin immediately warning "Blue" is received.

(b) Phase "B"—the second stage of evacuation, launched by warning "Yellow," in which the remainder of the population is withdrawn. For example, reception municipalities in the Northern Zone would receive evacuees from Edmonton. Under pressure of time, Phases "A" and "B" might have to be carried out almost concurrently.

(c) Phase "C" — covers the action immediately following an H-bomb attack.

(d) Phase "D"—covers both immediate needs and the long-term rehabilitation of persons and communities affected by the attack.

FOUR CD ZONES

In order to give assistance to the municipalities, Alberta has been divided into four Civil Defence zones, each under full-time Alberta Civil Defence staff officers. These zones are as follows:

(a) Peace River zone — with headquarters in Grande Prairie;

(b) Northern zone—with headquarters in Edmonton;

Central zone—with headquarters in Calgary;

(d) Southern zone—with headquarters in Lethbridge.

These Alberta Civil Defence staff officers are available to give municipalities all possible help. They are fully trained in Civil Defence and can advise municipalities on perplexing problems. Please contact them for assistance.

We have mentioned our radar lines and warnings. Warnings, for Civil Defence purposes, will be passed by federal Civil Defence to all provinces which, in turn, will relay the warnings to all municipalities. In Alberta, these warnings will be transmitted over the Alberta Government Telephone System, as long as the system remains in operation—backed up by the Alberta Civil Defence radio and teletype communications network.

TARGET AREA

As I have already stated, the city of Edmonton is a designated target area—named as such by the federal government. The Alberta government may — if conditions warrant—designate additional target areas. Such areas will be required to prepare and test plans for the orderly evacuation of their population. In addition, all other municipalities, including municipal districts and counties—will be expected to prepare and test suitable reception and evacuation plans for their people in the event of fallout or for other reasons.

As I have mentioned before, deadly radioactive fallout may be caused by H-bombs and missiles in any part of our country, including remote and relatively unpopulated areas. The fallout area may cover the ground 200 miles in length and 40 miles in width. Normal refuge—such as improved basements, root cellars, etc.—will give reasonable protection against fallout. But the people in the hot area—where the radiation intensity is very high—may have to be evacuated after the fallout has ceased and the radiation intensity has decreased sufficiently to permit such evacuation to be undertaken in relative safety. This is called "Remedial Evacuation."

FARM

Radioactive Fallout on the Farm —There is a defense against fallout—on the farm and in the home. The following questions and answers will help you to understand the nature of fallout, and, in the event of enemy attack, will help you protect yourself from it.

What is Fallout?—Fallout is the term used to describe radioactive particles, produced by nuclear explosions, that fall to earth from the upper air. When the bomb explodes close to the earth, large quantities of soil, rock, and debris are drawn up into the ascending cloud. After mixing with the highly radioactive material, particles fall back to earth and produce radioactive contamination. Some of the particles fall close to the point of the explosion, while others may drift downwind for many miles before settling to earth.

A bomb exploded high in the air does not produce immediate serious fallout because there is no heavy debris taken up into the cloud to bring the radioactive material down to earth. The radioactive particles tend to remain suspended for days, months or years in the upper atmosphere where much of the radioactivity is lost harmlessly before settling to earth.

FALLOUT DANGERS

Why is fallout dangerous?—If an area is highly contaminated by fallout, the radiation may be a threat to human beings, animals, and crops. Fallout can also contaminate food, water, buildings, yards, and fields, and make them unsafe to use for certain periods.

Some of the rays can pentrate the body and cause serious internal damage. Others, while not capable of deep penetration, can burn the skin. Some of the radioactive chemical elements in the fallout, such as radioactive strontium and radioactive iodine, can cause serious internal radiation damage if taken into the body in sufficiently large quantities.

How will fallout affect unprotected livestock—that is, animals in fields, pastures, and other open areas? Fallout may be dangerous to cattle, sheep, horses, hogs, and other livestock as well as to human beings. Animals can suffer skin burns if fallout settles in the coat. If animals drink fallout in their water or eat it in pasture grass or commercial feed, the rediation may cause serious internal injuries. External radiation or surface contamination emits rays capable of penetrating deep into the body and may result in total body exposure.

If you receive ample warning that fallout is coming, you can take certain precautions to protect your livestock and reduce losses. But once fallout occurs, you should not attempt to protect livestock unless Civil Defense officials tell you that it is safe to do so.

EFFECT ON LIVESTOCK

How will fallout affect sheltered livestock? Livestock housed in barns and other farm buildings during fallout stand a better chance of surviving the effects of radiation than those that are not sheltered. A reasonably well-built shelter prevents fallout from settling on the animals' bodies and may reduce the intensity of external radiation. It also protects against the animals eating contaminated food.

What is the best way to protect livestock from fallout? Move them indoors as soon as possible and keep them off contaminated feed and water. If you do not have adequate facilities to house livestock, put them near farm buildings, in a yard, or in a tree-sheltered field.

Get your dairy cattle under cover first. If they eat fallout, or drink it in water, some of the radioactive material will be in their manure and urine, and some will be in their milk.

What water and feed can I give livestock after fallout? CAUTION: Do not allow your animals to go without water and feed too long. It is better to keep them alive on contaminated water and feed than to let them die of thirst and hunger.

Water and feed become contaminated if they are exposed to fallout.

Water from a covered well, tank, or cistern, or from a freely running spring, should be safe. If possible, use water from a covered well.

Pond water is less safe, but, if necessary, it can be used a few days after fallout has occurred.

PREVENT CONTAMINATION

To prevent contamination from fallout, do not add water to tanks or cisterns, except water from a properly protected well or spring, until the water originally present is used.

Give your livestock feed that has not been exposed to fallout. If the particles settle on hay, silage, or a stack of feedbags, they will contaminate only the outer portions. You can remove the outer layers or bags, and use the inside feed that is unaffected. Do not handle contaminated feed until told by the Civil Defence authorities that it is safe to do so and be sure to follow the precautions they may recommend.

Farmers will be notified if authorities measuring concentrations of fallout consider forage growing in an area to be harmful.

You may have to give cows contaminated feed if no other feed is available. Although the milk from these cows may not be usable for a brief period, once the cows are back on clean feed the amount of

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Alberta Teachers' Association and members of School Boards and teaching staffs, have all been generous, helpful and constructive Thus, if the Commission ceased work tomorrow, much good has already been accomplished because Alberta people have been challenged to examine their own aims and ideas on education and there is already abroad a new understanding and appreciation of what has been done, what needs to be done, and some perception of the school's role as one of the most important forces in our communities.

SUMMARY

It would not be appropriate for me to anticipate at this time what the recommendations of the Commission will be, but it may be of interest to you to have a summary of the matters which are of most concern to Alberta citizens, as expressed through the individuals and groups appearing before the Commission.

1. In the elementary school there does not seem to be too much wrong that more better trained teachers and more drill in the fundamentals would not cure.

2. The Junior high school represents one of the most critical areas in our school system. Approximately 50% of the school population leave school at or below Grade IX. This means that the only school experience the great majority of the people in non-professional occupations have, is what they have received up to grade VI, VII. VIII or IX.

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3. Business men in commenting on the deficiencies of this group, are almost unanimous that they are deficient in the communicative skills of reading, writing, speaking and understading. They are also deficient in their ability to use number or computing skills.

4. It is suggested that more attention must be paid to the development of proper attitudes with respect to responsibility tidiness, punctuality, and a greater sense of mental and physical self-discipline.

5. In the high school program, more emphasis must be placed on the Communicative skills, on English, Mathematics, language, history and geography, on the teaching of Latin and French.

MOST CRITISED

6. The areas most frequently under criticism in the high school program were Health and Personal Development and Social Studies. Many people felt that much of the Personal Development material should be taught in the home rather than in the school. In Social Studies there was repeated emphasis on the desirabilty of teaching history and geography as separate subjects.

7. There were strong demands for the institution of some form of external testing of students at the Grade X and XI levels.

8. There were strong representations recommending that gifted students be given more opportunity, either through enriched programs of study, accelertion, or a combination of both.

9. That greater efforts must be made to decrease the high drop-out rate in the high school; to encourage more students to proceed to matriculation.

OTHER YARDSTICKS

10. There is need to establish some other yardstick than matriculation as the basic requirement for employment. Some business men admitted that they required matriculation for their truck drivers because they wanted every employee to have the native ability to move up in the organization.

11. There seems to be a need to give the high school leaving diploma more status in the business world and to make known exactly what it stands for.

12. The greatest single problem is the attracting to, and retaining in, the teaching profession, better qualified teachers. There seemed to be general agreement that where adequately trained teachers were operating in the schools, the method of education was not so important.

A good teacher could get excellent results with the Enterprise or any other system. With less well-trained and experienced teachers, a more prescriptive method of teaching and course content may be desirable.

MANY PROBLEMS

In the area of school organization and administration, there were many problems about which people have expressed themselves with vigor and with conviction. In the past 25 years the 'little old red schoolhouse' of nostalgic memory to many, has almost disappeared. There are less than 400 in operation today and we must recognize that there will always be a few required to serve isolated areas.

13. The centralization of schools has undoubtedly made it possible to give more students in the rural areas a higher standard of education, and one more comparable to the city system than was the case previously. However, the problems of vanning students long distances has given rise to some concern on the matter of the mileage travelled, the effect on the health of young children, the increase in costs.

At one time, it was thought that the centralized school, plus a school dormitory, would provide the answer to an adequate high school program in the sparsely settled areas. Unfortunately, the system of inadequate and improvised school dormitories in Alberta has not been a success and there are very few of them in existence today. This is not surprising because the only way in which a school residence can be a success is for it to provide a good standard of residence, food, and supervision. Without these attributes, the system was bound to fail.

GRANTS IN B.C.

Yet, in the province of British Columbia where school grants are made for the establishment of dormitories on the same basis as they are for classrooms, good dormitries are in operation and they are providing an enriching experience for the students. Strong representations have been made to the Commission that the parents wished to have their children at home when going to school. This is a perfectly natural and understandable desire but is is patently impossible to provide the kind of education needed for success in today's world, in many small communities. When parents were asked what their choice would be between the alternatives of:

Vanning their children long distances and having them remain at home, even though they might receive an inferior education, or Sending them to live in a school dormitory and returning home weekends, or Sending them away to board in a large centre while attending high school, the choice was practically unanimous in favour of an inferior education and keeping the children at home.

QUALITY OF TEACHERS

Wherever the Commission has gone, there has been an insistent demand for more and better trained teachers. In order to establish the facts on the Alberta teaching force, the Commission set up a study designed to analyse the teaching force in Alberta schools in 1957-58. This study, which will be published as a seperate study, was under the direction of Dr. Mowat of the Commission, Dr. MacArthur the Research Director, and Professor Lindstedt of the Faculty of Education in Calgary.

This report is signficant for a number of reasons. Ninety-six hundred copies of a four-page questionnaire containing some fifty-five questions, were distributed to the same number of Alberta teachers. The first remarkable thing about the study is that 9,428 questionnaires, or 99.2%, were completed and returned. This survey showed, among other things that 31% of the teaching force is single; 62% are married, and the so on. It also showed that 55% of balance widowed, separated, and all women teachers were married or that 39% of the teaching force in Alberta is made up of married women.

FINANCE

More significant in terms of the criticisms we hear about education today is the fact that 50% of the teaching force in Alberta schools in the year 1957-58 had one year of academic and professional training beyond the high school level. Another 3.9% had less than one year of such training. In looking for reasons why the teaching profession has not been able to attract and retain in the profession, more people of higher academic qualifications, a look at the financial situation may, in part, show the reason. According to the 1957-58 survey the median salary of Alberta teachers was $3,679. Only 53 enjoyed salaries in excess of $8,000. The largest number 3,800, were in the $3,100 to $4,000 range. On looking at it another way, comparing the average earnings per member of the Canadian labor force and the average salaries of Alberta teachers in the 30 year period 1926 to 1956, in 1956 dollars, the average earnings per member of the Canadian labor force was $3,260 in 1956, while the average teachers' salaries in Alberta were $3,270, or just $10 higher. In all years before this, teachers were from $200 to $300 lower than the average for the labor force as a whole. These figures speak for themselves and it is not to be wondered at that more top quality teachers have not been attracted to the profession.

MERIT PAY

There is a general recognition that if more good teachers are to be retained in the profession, some means of evaluating and rewarding meritorious service must be found. Various proposals under the general heading of merit pay have been discussed. On the public's part, there seems to be a willingness to explore some form of merit pay. However, the teachers' associations have shown little enthusiasm for any of the schemes put forward so far.

GENERAL

Among the outstanding impressions I have gained in listening to Alberta people give their views about the needs of education, may be listed the following:

The great majority have an inability to give a forthright and clear definition of their conception of the aims of education. The great majority of people, and this includes businessmen, have little realization of the variation in mental capacity found within an average class. For example, the scholastic ability of an average class may show a variation of from four to as much as eight grades.

Few people seem to realize that

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Safe-Driving Week Dec. 1 to 7

OTTAWA—Safe-Driving Week a national campaign to impress the motorist and pedestrian with his responsibility, as an individual, in preventing traffic accidents, will be sponsored nationally by the Canadian Highway Safety Conference this year from Dec. 1 - 7 inclusive.

Safe-Driving Week has been given the support of the Governor General and the Prime Minister. Participating will be the Premiers of all the provinces, safety organizations, police forces, the judiciary, public service groups, women's organizations and many others.

AGRICULTURE MINISTER POINTS OUT WHAT PROVINCE EXPECTS OF MD's

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radioactive materials in their milk will progressively diminish. Civil Defence authorities will measure fallout in affected areas and warn farmers when milk is unsafe.

WHAT TO DO

During and after fallout, remain indoors until you are told by Civil Defence authorities that the danger from fallout is over.

Wash hands and face and change clothing immediately if you have been exposed to high concentrations of fallout.

Use packaged, canned, and bottle foods, as well as food protected by storage and refrigeration; they are least likely to be contaminated. If it becomes necessary to use other foods, the following information should be helpful:

Milk—Safe to use if cows have not been exposed to fallout. May be safe to use if cows have been exposed to fallout but are being fed uncontaminated feed.

Eggs—Safe to use even if poultry have been exposed to small amounts of fallout.

Potatoes and Root Crops—Safe to use if they are washed and peeled.

Green Vegetables — Choose garden vegetables with solid hearts—cabbage, lettuce, etc. Before eating, remove several layers of the outer leaves, and wash the herats thoroughly. Wear rubber gloves when removing the outer leaves.

PEAS AND BEANS

Only the pods would be contamiated; the peas and beans are safe to use. Wear rubber gloves when removing the pods.

Wash hands thoroughly before eating.

Wear protetcive clothing — hat, coat, boots, gloves, etc—the first few days you work outdoors. If you are plowing or cultivating dry land, or if you are harvesting corn, wear a dust filter over your nose and mouth; even a handkerchief will be of some value.

To summarize briefly at this point:

(a) designated target areas — such as Edmonton—will be required to provide suitable Civil Defence Forces and prepare an Evacuation Plan.

(b) All other municipalities—including municipal districts and counties—will be required to provide suitable Civil Defence forces and in addition, prepare both a reception and an evacuation plan—that is:

(i) A plan for the reception of evacuees either from a target area or from an adjacent fallout area, and;

(ii) A plan for the evacuation of their own people should they be in the "hot" fallout path.

SURVIVAL

The City of Edmonton has distributed Survival Instructions, telling the city dwellers what highway out of the city they should take if evacuation should be ordered by the federal and provincial governments.. The people of Edmonton will be received by the municipalities in the Northern Zone and billeted on a basis of one for one.

If the population of a municipal district or county in that zone is six thousand, then about six thousand evacuees from Edmonton would be billeted there.

This is no simple task; it will require the dedicated efforts of tens of thousands of our people, if there is to be no unnecessary loss of life. We can count on assistance from the military forces. They will give us very valuable help, but we are not a militaristic nation and their numbers are not sufficient to do the job alone.

The military forces will assist, but most of the work must be done by Civil Defence. We require a strength of from seventy to ninety thousand trained Civil Defence volunteers to do the job—and we must all do our part.

Briefly this is what the government of Albetra expects from the municipal distritcs and counties:

(a) Each municipal district and county should form a Civil Defence organization.

CD UNIT

(b) The Civil Defence organization of the municipal district or county should establish a joint Civil Defence organization with all the towns and villages within its area. This is called a "Civil Defence Unit" and we believe that a Civil Defence Unit can operate as a team better than if each municipality operated independently; training can be more efficiently and economically organized; and small communities will have available to them, in time of need, skilled help which could not be made available as readily in any other way.

(c) Each municipality should form a nucleus of trained Civil Defence volunteers, using the facilities of the Alberta Civil Defence Extension School, the Alberta Civil Defence School, and the Canadian Civil Defence College at Arnprior, Ont.

(d) Each municipality should prepare reception and evacuation plans, with the assistance of its Zone Staff Officer and Alberta Civil Defence Headquarters.

EVACUEES

I think I have said enough to demonstrate the vital contribution towns, villages, municipal districts and counties will make to the survival of the people of Alberta in the event of war. These communities are not only expected to recruit and train Civil Defence volunteers, but also to work out both reception and evacuation plans.

And if war should ever come, then these municipalities would double their population by receiving evacuees from a target area.

Alberta Civil Defence Headquarters is preparing a brochure of Survival Instructions for all municipalities in Alberta. In this brochure all necessary information has been compiled in order to enable each municipality to publish its own survival brochure for its own people. In this way, all the people of Alberta will receive the necessary Civil Defence Survival Instructions in order that they may save their own lives and give assistance to others.

FINALLY

Finally, we all hope and pray that war will never come, nevertheless, the Communist World is a formidable adversary, ambitious to control the whole world, and willing to take great risks to achieve that objective—they might even risk an H-Bomb war, so let us be prepared:

"If we never need what we learn in Civil Defence, we lose nothing;

"If we never learn what we need for survival, we may well lose everything."

SUMMARIZES FOR MD DELEGATES 186 BRIEFS SUBMITTED TO COMMISSION

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50% of our school population drop out of school with an educational attainment of grade nine or less. In other words, the great majority of people engaged in the non-professional and unskilled occupations have an educational standing of grade nine or less. Actually it is much less.

EXAMPLE

For example: In the 15-year period 1941 to 1955 inclusive, the average drop out in Alberta at grade seven was 13.8%. In the same period the average drop out at grade 8 was 24%. In other words, in a period which included the post-war boom, a total of 38% of our school population was leaving school at the age of 15 years with an educational attainment of grade 8 or less.

In the same period of time, approximately 7% of our school population were completing their matriculation. Another 7% were securing their high school diplomas. Or, altogether, only 14% of our school population were completing a high school program. This means that 86% of our school population left school without completing high school.

Educational experts tell us that from 25% to 30% of our school population have the capacity to complete a high school program and our success, if we are to maintain our place in the struggle for economic survival in the next 50 years, will depend in large measure how well we succeed in increasing the percentage of our population who will complete a high school program.

DEFICIENT IN SKILLS

In all the criticism of education today, much is made of the fact that many young people coming out of our schools are deficient in the communicative and computing skills, that they are sloppy, indolent, and irresponsible, that they lack qualities of self-discipline, and their attitudes towards the responsibilities of citizenship are unsatisfactory.

When we hear these statements, many of which have a substantial basis in fact, do we also realize that more of our young people are achieving well than ever before; that those who do complete their matriculation and their high school diplomas are giving a good account of themselves; that the faulty performance in the civic and business sense may be coming from that very high percentage who left school before they had an opportunity to get the kind of education which would inculcate those qualities and virtues which are so important to a high level of citizenship in a democratic society?

STRESSES HIGHLIGHTS

Obviously, in a study as comprehensive as that set forth in the terms of reference of the Royal Commission, there is a great wealth of information available far beyond what can be dealt with in a talk of half-an-hour. In this discussion I have only sought to stress a few of the highlights of what has been an intensely interesting study. For example, I have not touched upon the needs for greatly extended facilities in apprenticeship trades and technical training, to meet the requirements of an industrial economy. Nor have I said anything about the importance of reorganizing the type of programs offered in our Schools of Agriculture to enable these valuable institutions to more adquately meet the needs of the rural community.

Suffice it to say that there is a new and important role for the agricultural schools in not only providing a type of agricultural education in keeping with the times, but consideration might be given to converting these institutions into community colleges capable of offering specialized courses related to agricultural technology, as well as the opportunity of mature students to complete deficiencies in high school programs.

JUNIOR COLLEGES

Nor have I said anything about the role to be played by Junior Colleges, yet these will come to play an increasingly important role in providing that broad education which is increasingly necessary for effective citizenship.

The only way in which any new program of education can be understood and made effective is by a greatly extended program of adult education of both a formal and informal nature. Here, the Junior College and the Community College have an effective role to play.

At the outset I called this talk Education and Government. You may say, and rightly, that I have said a lot about education but little about government and this is true. My reason for doing this is because we Canadians must appreciate now, if we never did before, that the effective functioning of our democratic system cannot survive in the idealogical struggle of today unless it is based on a broad understanding of the basic principles and responsibilities of men in a free society. We have for years gone on a number of basic assumptions. Among these were:

ASSUMPTIONS

That the democratic way of life was superior to any other.

That that superiority was proven in two world wars in the space of 25 years.

That the only serious challenge to the democratic way of life comes from something called Communism.

These assumptions can only be accepted in part today. Certainly the democratic way of life with its emphasis on freedom and the rights of the individual is the only assumption that offers hope in a world increasingly succumbing to the rule of state authority. But saying this alone will not make it survive.

PARAMOUNTCY

For the first time in our history "the paramountcy of the West" as Bruce Hutchison put it in his excellent article in Maclean's, "has been lost, and in its familiar form can never be regained in our lifetime, if ever." The Sputniks are but a symbol of the new challenge of our way of life. They are the outward manifestation of the secret weapon of the Communist powers. That secret weapon is education, education spelled in capital letters a mile high for all to see.

From almost a standing start, the Russians have, through a concentrated type of education, accomplished the same industrial revolution in 40 years that took us 100. To say that they had the advantage of our experience and technology does not detract from their achievement. More significant still is the estimate that the Chinese will do in 25 years or less what the Russians did in 40.

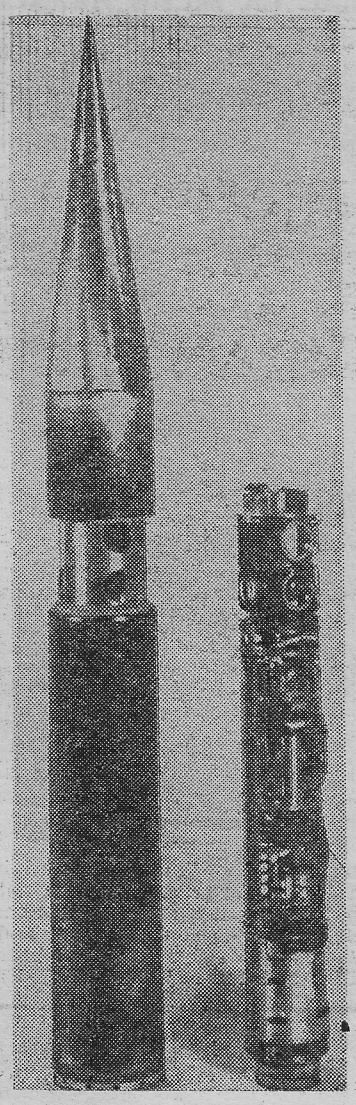
IMPACT

Coupled with the developing technological achievement of these peoples, is the tremendous impact of population. While we have been sitting at this dinner tonight, 2,400 Chinese were born. They, too, like Russians, are using education as their secret weapon. No, the greatest challenge to our way of life today comes not from the forces of Communism but it comes within, through the break down of moral values, through slothful thinking or no thinking at all. The break down of Democracy comes about because people and politicians have become unwilling to face the issues. Our people like little boys at the candy bar, continually ask for more and more, and our politicians of all political faiths, compete with each other in bidding higher and higher. The results of this competition, this unwillingness to face the day of reckoning, can have only one of two inevitable ends - either a colossal bust, or a completely new system of financial management. If you don't believe this, examine what has been happening in the United States in the last ten years. In a period of unprecedented prosperity they have had a series of unprecedented budget deficits.

APPALLED

In Canada we have one deficit of about one billion dollars, and a second is in prospect. In the short time I have been in Ottawa, I have been appalled at the inability and unwillingness of politicians to say "No." What we see on the National scene is repeated at every level of government. Men advocate narrow sectional interests time and again when the broader view would indicate such policies to be unwise.

As people operating at the grassroots level of local government, you are the closest of all government to the people. You, as municipal councillors, are in a position to know the needs and to assess the capacities of the people who are your constituents. You are the people who, as parents, taxpayers, trustees and councillors, are going to have to face the tasks of doubling the amounts of money required for roads and schools in the next ten years. It is because problems I have been discussing with you are important to the future of your family and mine, that I have taken your time tonight.



THE FIRST rocket to be assembled by Canada was fired to an altitude of 89 miles at Fort Churchill, Man. The nose cone cover of the Nike-Cajun rocket is seen at the left while on the right are the multi-lens optical systems and other instrumentation which fit inside the nose cone.

THEY SHALL NOT PASS

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. (UPI)— Fined $25 for speeding, Charles W. Cole, 20, appealed, insisting the only reason he was going 70 miles an hour was to keep the car behind him from passing at a "dangerous spot". The car behind him was a police cruiser

150 Wives Of Reeves, Councillors At Sun Publishing, CFRN Coffee Party

A morning coffee party started the day for 150 wives of delegates attending the golden jubilee convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts.

Mr. and Mrs. Pue of the Sun Publishing Co. Ltd. and Mr. and Mrs. G. R. A. Rice of the Sunwapta Broadcasting Co. Ltd. were co-hosts of the sponsoring firms.

Special guests were "on the air" personalities such as Channel 3's Mrs. Laura Lindsay, Tony "the Italian Cowboy" Beaumonte, Irv "early in the wigwam" Shore, musical director Harry Farmer, and TV manager Sid Lancaster.

Those present at the coffee party included:

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Mrs. W. J. Anderson, Sugden, MD of St. Paul; Mrs. A. L. McKay, Fairview, MD of Fairview; Mrs. F. White, Spirit River, MD of Spirit River; Mrs. E. J. Martin, Fairview, MD of Fairview, wife of secretary - treasurer; Mrs. Jack Deitz, Vilo, County of Vulcan; Mrs. M. Willard, Milo, County of Vulleigh, County of Vulcan; Mrs. M. McNiven, Vulcan, County of Vulcan; Mrs. Clarence Green, Mosscan; Mrs. A. E. Potter, Gadsby, MD of Stettler; Mrs. M. Frayn, R.R. 2, Calgary, MD of Cockyview; Mrs. M. Eerlin, Cochrane, MD of Rockyview; Mrs. S. L. Bull, Balzac, MD of Rockyview.

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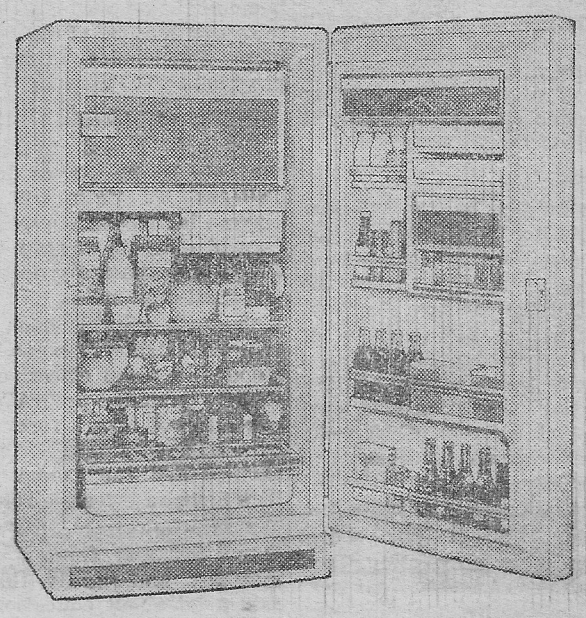

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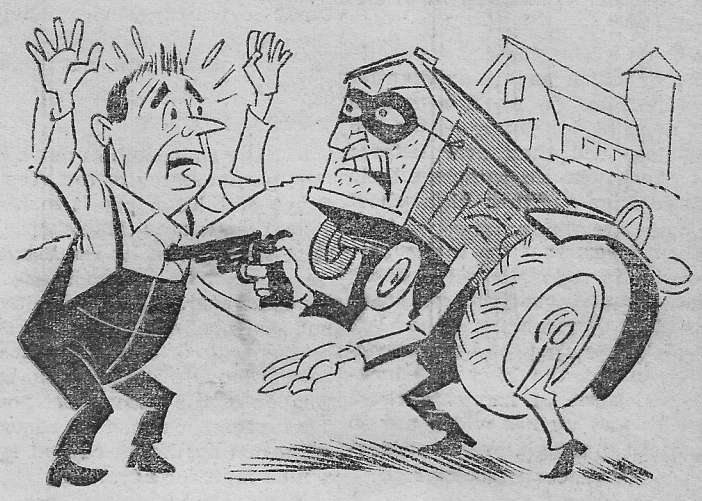

It's an old story . . . but proof-positive—year-old tractors, in some cases, are robbing their owners blind.

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